

Lord Scarman to hold Brixton inquiry

An orgent public inquiry is the be conducted into the Brixon riots by Lord Scarman, one of Britain's most senior judges, who will have powers to require evidence and grant witnesses immunity from progenution, if necessary, Announcing this in the

House of Commons yesterday, Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, also confirmed that

interpret his terms of refer-ence to include the effects of quick and decisive action in unemployment and poor hous-setting up the inquiry.

ing as well as the relationship figures the police and public. The Home Secretary said he had acted rapidly to secure the savices of Lord Scarman because he wanted the inquiry to provide a "quick answer". Ir Whitelaw gave no time-

scale, scale, however. Informed sources later suggested that the inquiry might take about the same time as the seven months it took Lord Scarman to report after his 1974 inquiry into the Red Lion Square disturbance.

Secretary, also confirmed that official compensation will be paid, through the police, for damages to property during the three days of disorder under the Riot Damages Act.

Turning aside Opposition pleus to widen the inquiry. Mr Whitelaw insisted that Lord Scarman would be able to insecretary his terms of reference. Asked about the proposed rall: in Brixton next Sunday, Mr Whitelaw did not condemn thus stated in the Commons that he hoped "everyone will seek to do their best to cool the inquiry has been to be support for law-ing taken what he called "veryone taken the proposed about the proposed about the proposed about the proposed taken about the proposed about the proposed about the proposed taken about the proposed taken about the proposed about the proposed about the proposed taken about the proposed about the proposed the but stated in the Commons that he hoped "everyone will seek to do their best to cool the proposed about the proposed about

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The inquiry is being ser up under section 32 of the Police Act, 1964, which specifically includes "any matter connected with the policing of ary area", Lord Scarman's terms of reference are: "To inquire urgently into the serious disorder in Brixton on April 10 to 12 and to report with the pour 12 and to report, with the power to make recommendations".

The proceedings will be held in public, except where Lord Scarman may decide it appro-

priate to hear evidence in pri- looked at in the inquiry, But, to vate. Whether evidence is repeated Labour urgings that taken on eath is also at Lord more money be spent, he finally retorted: "I do not think we Scarman's discretion. His power to grow immunity could obvi-ously affect prosecutions. That, the reason behind one of Mr Whitelaw's answers - which caused Conservative back-

benchers some disquiet. Mr Whitelaw said he was advised that there was no reason why charges being brought against those involved could not proceed. "Whether that continues to be the case must depend on the progress of the inquiry." Reaction in the Commons

divided generally on predictable party lines with Conserva-tive MPs concentrating on the criminal, and the Labour side on the social aspect. Mr White-

retorted: "I go not think we can buy our way out of these particular problems".

Lord Scarman, who is 70 later this summer, is a Lord Appeal in Ordinary, who has also identified himself also identified himself strongly with moves for con-stitutional reform. His report on the Red Lion Square demonstration was widely regarded as a model of its kind. When a Labour left-winger yesterday questioned what he could know of life in Brixton, Mr Whitelaw's insist-ence that Lord Scarman had the support from all sides of the House gained visorous the House gained vigorous indications of essent from the

Labour front bench. According to our legal corresLord Scarman when faced with sensitive issues. He investigated the riots in Northern Ircland in the summer of 1939; that

was too overtly political.

Mr. Whitelaw's amouncement of the casualties and the "enormous" damage was heard in vience by the Labour benches, in marked contrast to Conservative backbunchers who voiced strong agreement with his tribute to the great brevery and professionalism of the police, and with his in-sistence that violence would

not he condoned, whatever grievances individuals might feel.

Thatcher criticism of violence

By Our Political Editor

Mrs Thatcher said she did not accept that unemployment was a primary cause of the disorders. She remarked that in the thirties unemployment had been higher but there had been no violence. She did acknowledge, however, that among "young West Indians" unem-ployment was particularly high, she repeated that that

happened.

There Thereher linsisted that could not condemn too strongly, the violence by Brixton rioters. She acknowledged the deep mistrust by young blacks of the police but said "nothing, but nothing justifies what happened. . ". It was totally wrong that anyone should attempt to take it out on the police.

Inverviewed on ITN's News to the violet to the problems. "Money cannot buy either trust or racial harmony", she said.

Mr Enoch Powell's remark: "You have seen nothing yet' mons from his speech two weeks ago), was "very very alarming". Mrs Thatcher said.

Mrs Thatcher also vehemently condemned the Lambeth Labour councillors who had referred to the police as an "army of occupation". She declared: What absolute nonsense. What an appalling remark: I condemn the person who made it." She said had the police withdrawn, as had been suggested

they would have been subject

Navy moves in on strike-bound submarine

Widespread walkouts today witespread walkouts today throughout the Civil Service were forecast last night after a decision by the Government to see Royal Naval personnel to begin reequipping the nuclear submarine, HMS Resolution.

A naval party of 16 at the Clyde base of Coulport last night began work normally carried out by some of the 50 civil servants who normally service the submarine and arc on strike in protest at the Government's per cent pay offer.

The Ministry of Defence said last right that the 16 Navy personnel were working "to assist

The Council of Civil Service Unions' reaction last night was in the that the country's 540,000 white-collar civil servants say,000 to white-collar civil servants would be invited to take part in half-iday strike action today as previously threatened on the grounds that Naval personnel were being used to beat the strike.

report is regarded still as a model of lucid analysis. His inquiry into the Grunnick affair was perhaps less successful, namely because the issue was too overtly political.

Mr. Whitelaw's annumeewhich also houses the metro-politan traffic area office. This notifies test centres throughout London of driving tests.

Driving test concellations are expected to be halted in Don-caster today after a walkout by the town's examiners. About 15 customs officers who process "business courier" cargo also came out on selective strike yesterday.

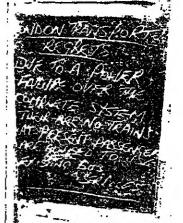
yesterday.

Most of the 60,000 people who receive between £40 and £50,50 a week under the Government's joh release scheme may not receive their formightly giro cheques until after Easter because of action by computer staff at the Department of Employment's Runcorn centre.

The payments are made to women of 59 and men of 64, including about 13,000 disabled people who leave their jobs under the scheme to make way for unemployed young people. The department said people furing hypothin because of the facing hardship because of the hold-up should report to their local Department of Health and Social Security offices.

" Fair " offer: laterviewed by Mr Alistair Burnert on ITN's News at Ten as she approaches the end of her second year in Government, Mrs Margaret Thatcher tried sounding conciliatory towards the striking civil servants (our Political Editor writes). She said she wanted them to have a system of pay that was fair-but fair, too, for the great British tax-

Mrs Thatcher said she hoped that the recession was "at the bottom" but she cautioned against assuming that "things will suddenly improve". She said so much depended on the loyalty of workers to their companies in moderating pay Letters, page 15



Notice to passengers at Piccadilly Circus station.

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By Richard Ford and Peter Waymork

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More than 400 trains came to a standstill on 241 miles of track when the systems' main generating station at Lots Road, Chelsea, failed shortly before

A gas supply failure within the generating station was blamed for the breakdown in power but the back-up station at Greenwich also foiled be-cause the load placed on it was ton much.

A few Metropolitan Line services, supplied by the outside grid, were able to run but the rest of the system was paralysed until 5.15 pm. Passengers in trains which stopped in tunnels had emergency lighting provided by battery. Lifts were halted at stations.

At king's Cross, one of the husiest Underground stations, passengers who had been trapped emerged from the tube more annoyed at being delayed than upset by their experience.

Mr Kingsley Winter, whose train stopped between Euston and King's Cross, said: "We were lucky because there were only about a dozen people in the carriage. The train stopped suddenly and the lights went out but almost immediately the emergency lights came on at each end of the carriage. There were lights in the tunnel as

well. "We were stuck there for about an how but no one seemed too bothered. We joked about it. It got a bit warm down there and the driver came along and opened the doors between the carriages to get some air flowing through."

Mrs Justine O'Hagan, stuck hetween Camden Town and Euston, said: "After we had stopped, the lights went down and emergency lights came on in the carriage. The driver came down and told us not to

" A couple of old ladies were going on a bit. One of them was afraid another train would run into the back of us." Trains started running again

when engineers managed to switch to oil supplies to service the generators ar Lots Road but a spokesman could not give details of the original fault. He said that the generating station at Greenwich was only able to make up a slight luss of power at Chelses but was unable to cope with a complete failure.

Gangs of youths renew attacks on police and property the scene, some carrying riot appeared in south London shields used in a brief skirmish in which youths such offences as assaulting the hurled tricks torn from a wall. police, their, and criminal dam-

By David Nicholson-Lord Stewart Tendler, Nicholas Timmins, John Witherow. Martin Huckerby

Violence broke out in Brixton set again last night, with mobs set again lost night, with mobs without reaching any decision of youths setting light to at on what action to take over least seven cars, stoning police, and smashing shop windows.

As the community tried to repair the damage of three nights of violence, believing the campaign, said the youths from that at last tempers had begun to cool, youths, buth black and white and many in their early teens, launched a series of sporadic attacks on police and

The trouble started shortly after the end of a meeting of the Erixton Defence Campaign in Abeng Hall. Between two and three hundred people ran past Brixton police station close by, to be pursued by police and split up. Several shop windows were smashed in the main shopping street, Brixton Road. In Railton Road, the scene of the worst rioting of the weekend, cars were set alight and about 250 police were on

The stermy meeting of the de-fence campaign had broken up

the front line, otherwise known

A Times reporter leaving the meeting was attacked by a aroup of angry youths, who smashed his tape recorder and stole money from his wallet.

attempts were being made to restore a semblance of normality amid the buildings still smouldering from earlier riots. Nine of the policemen injured over the weekend were still detained in hospital, including one constable who was uncon-scious with a fractured skull. More than 75 people

of high-resolution phonography, from land-based comerus to see whether any tiles are missing from the underbelly of the craft, which would present a much greater hazard. That part of the craft undergoes the fiercest heat on reentry.

Mr John Yardley, the director of the space shuttle programme, said today that only 20 per cent of the tiles on the bottom—which are black, not white like the others—are so critical that the loss of just one would imperil the spaceship.

The high-resolution cameras, owned by the Air Force are hased in Florida and Hawali. If their pictures do locate damage to any of the tiles on the underside, preventive measures could

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spotting the defects, page 7

age; the majority were re-manded on bail, but there were fines of up to £250 for several offenders, Work continued on repairing

the physical damage: nine buildings, including a public house and many shops, were demolished in the violence; 11 more were seriously damaged; and 90 suffered minor damage; as Railton Road, wanted an im-47 buildings were looted. Some estimates put the cost of the destruction at more than 52m. mediate march on the police

Attempts were also under way to treat the less visible wounds suffered by the com-munity. Mr Courtney Laws, the hlack director of the Brixton Neighbourhood Community The new violence occurred as Association, warned outsiders to stay away, arguing that con-ciliation was needed, not confrontation.

Local blacks appeared to give short shrift to left-wing political groups seeking to organize action over the violence. Some of those associated with the

Brixton Defence Committee, however, sounded more militant when talking of the plane for a rally next Sunday, with people invited from all over Britain.

Harsh criticism of the police came from national figures, including politicians, trade unionists, and the Bishop of Southwark, the Right Rev Ronald Bowlby, who joined local councillors and community local councillors and community methods in Brixton.

Mr Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth Council, criticized the police as "almost an army of occupation within the borough". Support, however, came from members of the public who called at Brixton police station

with gifts for the injured offi-cers and messages of support. To reduce tension, Mr Knight wanted the police to drop most of the charges against those arrested. He also demanded government action to tackle the social and economic problems in Brixton which played so great a part in creating the

could not justify what had

Mrs Thatchen the Prime sinister, last orght said she could not condemn too strongly.

Ten Mrs Thatcher said that "two-way trust" was the key to restoring the situation. "I do not know quite how to get it", Mrs Thatcher said. "Sometimes too much money does not help to solve problems. It

causes more trouble."

Six London MPs in mid-term honours list

Among 15 new life peers in the mid-term honours list Mr Michael Foot has submitted six to strengthen the Opposition in the Lords. Five are former Labour MPs with junior ministerial experience. The list includes a former Conservative junior minister. The decision has aroused the wrath of left-wing members Page 2

Bank to implement rise

Lloyds Bank will implement its 10 per cent pay offer at the end of the month despite opposition from the Banking Insurance and Finance Union. Other banks will follow, although may the increase until next month. Bank not pay the increase until next month. Bifut has already called a 24-hour strike by 8,000 staff in hanks and cash centres in the provinces and London for next Thursday

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Polish reforms urged

The Polish Government has been urged by newspapers to show that it can act without coercion by using the hoped-for lull in strikes to push through reforms. Two leading newspapers said many Poles believed that some authorities acted only under the threat of strikes or similar action Page 8 strikes or similar action

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From Michael Leapman From Michael Leapman
Cape Cauaveral, April 13
Halfway in its 544-hour
mission, with 19 of 36 Earth
orbits completed, most systems
in the space shuttle Columbia
continued to function as
planned today. The astronauts.
Commander John Young and
Captain Robert Crippen, remained chirpy and confident.
Vest although officials con-

Yet although officials continued to appear nonchalaut about the 15 hear-resistant tiles which tore away during lift off, it was increasingly clear that they were going to put a long-term blight over the mission. In today's papers pictures of the damaged tail section of the Craft shared front pages with those of the exciting lift-off, the trail of white smoke pour-

ing from the soaring spacecraft.

Officials would have much pro-

ferred the launch photographs

to have had the pages to them-Much of the purpose of such highly-publicized landings is to goin public acceptance for higher government expenditure on space. Confidence is unlikely to he created by pictures of the ultra-modern craft that show it looking like the botched bathroom of a do-it-yourself handy-

There is no reason to doubt

violence in Berlin From Patricia Clough Fears of even worse violence

Night of

mounted today after a night of rioting, arson, and attacks on a United States military train and vehicles by supporters of 26 terrorists on hunger strike in

jail.
A demonstration by about 500 sympathizers in West Berlin turned into a riot after rumours spread that one of the hunger strikers, Herr Sigurd Debus, aged 38, had died. Police denied the rumours.

Herr Debus, who is serving a 12-year sentence for bank a 12-year sentence for bank robbery and plotting bomb attacks, is in a Hamburg hospital, where his chances of surviving much longer are said to be slim.

The terrorists want to be put together in large groups and to be treated as political prisoners, but the authorities have

Their other aim is to provoke

violence and terror from sympathizers. West Berlin's main boulevard, the Kurfürstendamm, was after demonstrators rampaged throughout the night, breaking almost all the windows and

plundering shops
They dragged vehicles across the road to make barricades, and threw fire bombs at banks. Twenty people were detained and one policeman was hurt. In Frankfurt sympathizets smashed windows of banks and

An American military train was stopped and damaged. No one was hurt but damage was stimated ar about DM200,000 (£40,000). The United States, and in par-

ticular its capitalism, multinational companies and its role in Vietnam, - have been a favourite target for the West German terrorist movement since its beginnings a decade ago. Three United States sol-diers were killed in bomb attacks on bases in 1972.

Signs point to end of recession

worst point have appeared. New Government figures show that manufacturing industry has experienced its first monthly rise in production since the autumn of 1979—although of less than 1 per cent—and in a West Midlands survey 17 per cent of companies forecast increased profitability compared with 9 per cent in December Page 19

GM for siege heroes

Police Constable Trevor Lock, hero of the Iranian embassy siege, and an unnamed SAS soldier have been awarded the George Medal. Four other SAS men, including the officer in charge of the operation, receive the Queen's Gallantry Medal for what the citation calls "a brilliantly carried-out rescue" Page 3

Union hint of rail strike Rail union leaders, dismayed by British Rail's

T per cent pay offer, are to consult their executives. All three unions are seeking increases not below the miners' 13 per cent, and the assistant general secretary of the NUR said be could "see our members taking strike action" Page 6

Labour election drive The Labour Party launched its national cam-

paign aimed at making large gains at the local government elections on May 7. Page 4 Leader page, 15 On Civil Service strikes, from Mr

On Civil Service strikes, from Mr K. M. Deleney, and others; new Ulster MP. from Miss Jill MacMahon, and others Leading articles: Mr Haig in the Middle East; Inquiry; into Brixton; Ballot in trade unions Arts, page 11 John Russell Taylor on Giacometti, and the Victoria and Albert Show of ballet costume; Peter Warmark reviews Stewart Granger's Sparks Fly Upward

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Labour opens poll campaign

By Christopher Warman . Local Government Correspondent

The Labour Party, not amused by the positioning of a of the red", on a hoarding next to its new London headquarters in Walworth Road. yesterday launched its national campaign to make "sweeping" elections on May 7.

tions, when it won the Greater London Council, all six metro-

only two metropolitan county, councils, and of the nonmetropolitan county councils, shadowed Britain, and the Labone in England and two is our Party offered an alternative.

ambition. Labour have put up subcommittee, said that every a record number of candidates household in the country had for the 4,371 seats. 3,833, com-pared with 3,384 in 1977 and Thatcher, with rent and rate 3,626 in 1973, the first time increases, both caused by the elections for the reorganized

contested, the exceptions being two solid Conservative scats in Southport, Merseyside. Else-where Labour has increased its interest, raising its numbers Conservative Party advertise from 9 to 26 in the lost cause ment stating "Keep London out of Cornwall, 9 to 22 in the Isle shire and 32 to 73 in North

Yorkshire. Mr Ronald Hayward, the party's general secretary, told a press conference that at a chins at the local government time when, local authorities ections on May 7. were under unprecedented. In confident mood the party attack from the Tory Governaims to regain at least the posi-tion it held in the 1973 elec-putting in the boot in a very big way, the people need to vote Labour on May 7 to defend politan county councils and 11 their communities against the non-metropolitan county coun- Tory Government, and to put cils, and perhaps some more, their trust in Labour council-At present, as a result of the lors to protect local interests 1977 elections, Labour controls and local services."

He said that mass unemployment and economic crisis overour Party offered an alternative. Mr Frank Allaun, a member local government authorities Conseervative councils should also hear the blame because they had supported the Government's policies.

Mr Benn reaffirms his party post challenge

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By Richard Evans Political Staff

Mr Wedgwood Benn reaffirmed his decision to contest past and he did not want to be the deputy leadership of the Labour party last night after attending a meeting of the leftwing Tribune group which high-lighted the deep split his candi-dature has caused.

"I am still a candidate", be said after a two and a half hour meeting of about 50 Tribune MPs.

The deep divisions within the left-wing ranks were exempli-fied by the nine MPs who spoke in favour of Mr Benn's intentions and the 10 who spoke against. Some speakers, including Mr Stanley Orme, indicated they were in favour of voting on the issue but Mr Ian Mikardo, Tribune chairman, said there would be no vote while he was in the chair.

Mr Benn, who joined the group only three months ago, addressed his colleagues towards the end of the meeting and defended his decisions to announce his candidature without telling them first.

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He argued that the group had neveer discussed somebody's candidature for office in the seen to be canvassing for official support from the group. Instead he wanted the support of individual members.

Mr Benn said it was necessary to work out policy itself within the party because it was clear that lost of the Shadow Cabinet were not totally in tune with party policy. There needed to be an open debate between thosee who accepted party policy and thosee who did not. He denied that his Healey's job was divisive.

Although no speakers at the meeting made a specific request for Mr Benn not to stand, seve-ral implied be should reconsider his decision.

Mr Eric Heffer argued that tactically it was the wrong time for an election while Mr John Silkin said that the arguments for not opposing Mr Healey, as deputy leader when Mr Michael Foot won the leadership were

Opposition front bench strengthened in the Lords



Among 15 new life peers are (top, from left): Mrs Jane Ewart-Biggs, Mr William Molloy, Mr Hugh Thomas, Sir Desmond Plummer and Professor Sir Max Beloff, (below): Mr Anthony Stodart, Mr Geoffrey Tordoff, Mr Edward Bishop, Mr Elystan Morgan, Mr Hugh Jenkins and Mr John Mackie.

Mr Foot justifies case for more peers

Political Correspondent Mr Michael Foot, the Leader of the Opposition, issued a statement vesterday to explain the appearance of a mid-term honappearance of a min-term non-ours list, containing 15 new life peers, six of them to sit on the Labour benches in the House of Lords.

Although the list was sent to the Queen for approval by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the request for new pecrages came from Mr Foot as long ago as last November, because he wanted to reinforce the Front Bench team in the Lords. team in the Lords.

Yesterday, however, Mr Foot had to reckon on bitter opposition from left wingers in the party who say that since Labour is committed to the abolition of the House of Lords, no further peerages should be created at the behest of the Labour leader.

Mr Foot explained that his sole purpose in making the recommendations was to enable the party to carry out its unavoidable obligations "They have all agreed to be full-time, active working peers

and to play a full part as spokesmen for the Opposition in the House of Lords," Mr Foot said. "I recommended their appointment because it would

have been unfair to the few who have been carrying the burden so far not to-have responded to acquests to sup-plement their number.

This in no way changes my conviction, and that of the

Labour Party, that the House of Lords ought to be abolished. However, I also believe that so long as it exists and is part of the legislative process, the Labour Party cannot leave our opponents to operate the place to suit themselves without even the surveillance which Labour

peers can supply."
Six former MPs: The life peerages announced today include five former Labour MPs, four of

ence in junior offices, and one former Conservative MP, also a junior minister. (Our Political Staff writes). Those who will go to strengthen the opposition front bench in the House of

Lords are:
Mr Edward Bishop, aged 60,
who was Labour MP for Newark
from 1964 to 1979, having contested unsuccessfully Bristol, West, in 1950, Exeter in 1951 and Gloucestershire, South, in 1935. An aeronautical design draughtsman by profession, he was educated at South Bristol central school, the Marchant Venturers Technical College and Bristol University, He joined the Labour Party in 1936, and was a member of Bristol City Council for two periods from 1946 to 1966.

Mr Hugh Jenkins, aged 72, the former left-wing Labour MP for Putney (1964-79) who is best known as a former assistant general secretary of British Actors' Equity and a campaigner against nuclear weapons. He was chairman of the H-Bomb Campaign in 1954 and is a leading member of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarm-ament. He took part in the Aldermarston marches from

1956 to 1960. He was Minister for the Arts from 1974 to 1976, having formerly been a member of the Arts Council.

Mr John Mackie, aged 71, chairman of the Forestry Com-mission, who is a farmer. He joined the Labour Party in 1937 and after contesting two Scottish seats unsuccessfuly in 1951 and 1955, hecame MP for Enfield, East, from 1959 to 1974. He was a parliamentary secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture from 1964 to 1970. Mr William Mollov, aged 62, who was educated at an elemen-

tary school and later at University College, Swansea. He served in the Field Company, Royal Engineers, throughout the war, and was later on control commission

of Fulham Borough Council-(1959-62) and MP for Ealing, North, from 1964 to 1979. He has maintained strong links with socialists in Europe and was a member of the Europeau Parliament from 1976 to 1979.

was a memoer of the European Government and the Frine Parliament from 1976 to 1979.

Minister and chairman of the Contre for Policy Studies, who is a barrister and began which was set up by Mrs his political career in Plaid Margaret Thatcher and Sir Cymru. For them he contested Keith Joseph in 1974. unsuccessfully Wrexham, in 1959, and Merioneth; in 1960. He joined the Labour Party in 1965 and was MP for Cardiganshire from 1966 to 1974.

The former Conservative MP. Mr Anthony Stodart, aged 64, who was educated at Wellington College and started farming at the age of 18. He now farms at Humbie. East Lothian. He contested Midlothian at two elections and eventually ent to Parliament as MP for Edin-burgh, West (1959-74). He was opposition spokesman on agriculture and Scottish affairs (1966-69) and a junior minister at the Ministry of Agriculture

from 1970 to 1974. Miss Felicity Lane Fox has a formidable record of service for the disabled and is vice-president of the Royal Associa-tion of Disability and Rehabilitation. She is herself disabled and has been confined to a wheelchair since the age of 12. She is 62.

Mrs Trivic Gardner, aged 54, is a member of Westminster City and the Greater London councils as well as being British chairming of the European Union of Women. She stood as a Conservative parliamentary candidate in two general elec-tions, at Blackburn in 1970 and North Cornwall in 1974, but was defeated.

Mrs Beryl Catherine Platt is qualified aircraft engineer the was recently elected vice-bairman of Essex County Council, having been chairman of its education committee.

Aged 48, she is a member of the court of Essex University and the Cambridge University

County Councils and the Inner-London Education Authority. Mr Hugh Thomas, aged 49, is a close supporter of the Government and the Prime

Last year he won an Arts Council, prize for history and was appointed a consultant director of the Conservative Research Department for international affairs.

Mrs. Jane Ewart-Biggs, seed 51, is the widow of the former British Ambassader in Dublin, who was killed in a bomb explosion in July 1976.

plosion in July, 1976.

In 1977 she was made president of the peace people's movement in Britain. Although she has been a Lahour Party supporter, for many years her husband's work prevented active participation in party matters. She has been a mem-ber of the Chelsea Labour

Party for three years.
Sir Desmond Plummer has been chairman of the Horserace Betting Levy Board since 1974 and was leader of the Greater London' Council between 1967 and 1973.

Professor Sir Max Beloff, aged 67, is a distinguished academic and a firm supporter of Mrs Thatcher. He has been a supernumerary fellow of St Antony's College, Oxford, since 1975. In 1974 he founded the University College at Bucking. ham, the private educational establishment, and was principal

until 1979.

Mr Geoffrey Tordoff, aged 52, has worked in the chemical industry for 30 years and was chairman of the Liberal Party from 1976 to 1979. Judge Alan Campbell, QC, has

heen a crown court recorder since 1976, having been called to the Bar in 1939. He is a prominent member of the Society of Conservative Lawyers and has written widely on restrictive whom had ministerial experi- Berlin. He was Labour leader Appointments Board, as well as trade practices. He is aged 63.

Nine Scots on

terror charge

Armed police guarded Glas-gow Sheriff's Court yesterday

when nine Scotsmen were charged with conspiring to aid

the Ulster Volunteer Force or

another unknown organization.

All had been in custody since

their arrest under the Preven-

tion of Terrorism Act a week

Government hope of the conting over pay

By Hugh Noves Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, opened the second reading debate on the Finance Bill in the Commons yesterday with a warning that the Government would be demanding further substantial reductions in wage increases in

the next pay round.
Without that, he told MPs. there would be little hope of reversing the decline in the competitiveness of British industry. But he went on to give but of the most optimistic forecasts for economic prospects in the year ahead that have been were encouraging. heard recently from Treasury ministers.

Mr. Peter Shore, Labour's economic spokesman. Chief Secretary said that di Labour's economic spokesman, not mean that unemployment firmly dissenting from this sudden blossoming of hope, the would begin to fall immedi:

day, he said, showed that in in unemployment could be february manufacturing projected.

Mr Brittan added that the put of one per cent, while total industrial production recorded a rise in out.

Government remained committed to reducing the committed to reduce the committed to reducing the committed to reduce the committed the committed to reduce the committed to

0.75 per cent.

Mr Brittan told the House that the measures in the Budget enabled the Government to look

at the coming year with greater

at the coming year with greater confidence.

The annual inflation rate had fallen from the peak of 21 per cent to 121 per cent in February and the underlying rate was about 10 per cent. Inflation was forecast to fall into single figures easily next was next year. Pay settlements had also

decelerated and the trend was firmly in single figures on manufacturing industry, com-pared to 16 per cent last July. Since last August underlying average carnings rose by 0.7: per cent a month, less that half the increase of a year ago Output. Mr Brittan predicted was likely to be on a risin during the comin

financial year. Housing starts, which wer so often forerunners o sharply in February and the House Federation was January reported to be optimistic abou prospects for this year. While accepting that not to much weight should be place

on one month's figures. M. Brittan felt that the indicator Most observers expected see some upturn in the worl economy this year. But the Chief Secretary said that di

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industrial production rose by ted to reducing the burden c taxation as soon as circun

stances allowed. On a less happy note, h made clear, to the evident dicomfiture of many Tory back henchers, that the Treasur was likely to stand firm on h controversial proposals for raising the duty on petrol an

Mr Shore said the Treasur appeared to live in a curiou world of make-believe. This wahe declared, a perverse an misconceived Finance Bill. The Finance Bill was late given its second reading by 30 votes to 253, a Governmen majority of 56.

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200 protest at choice of Stansted

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

The battle for Stansted as the in September.

local bodies that are objecting to the choice of Stansted held a silent protest with banders out-side the town hall at Saffron Walden, where the prefiminary meeting took place.

to last between nine and 12 months and to cost up to \$4m. siu tudnich iz exb Opposition to Stansted as the

The association said yester-day: "Two previous inquiries proved convincingly that Stan-

"The airport authority's case

By Diana Geddes Education Correspondent

site of the third Lendon air port opened yesterday when un aspectur appointed by the Government held a preliminary meeting of all the parties that will be involved at the planning nquiry which he is to conduct About 200 members of the 150

At the meeting the British Airports Authority, which plans to develop Stansted to accom-modate 15 million passengers a year initially, and representa-tives of the objectors indicated the line that their evidence will take when the main inquiry

third airport is being mar-shalled by the North West Essex and East Herts Preser-vation Association, which has raised more than £100,000 to fight its case.

sted is the wrong place for this scale of development.

disguises the wide and destruction of Terrorism Act a week tive impact such expension of ago. They were again remanded, the airport would have

Weather forecast and recordings

Pupil profiles unlikely to oust exams,

The replacement of examina tions by a system of pup profiles was unlikely in the foreseeable future, HM Insper torate of Schools told th Commons Select Committee o Education, Science and the Art. yesterday.

Mr B. C. Arthur, staff inspec for with special responsibilities. for secondary schools, sai: there was nothing revolution nary about the ideea of abolish ing examinations for pupils a 16-plus: it had been suggester

in the Norwood report of 1943 There was no doubt that the present examination system was "a pretty crude measure of what youngsters achieve" But he thought profiles would complement, not replace examinations.

Miss Peggy Marshall, chie inspector for secondary schools, said she saw no possi bility in the short term of examinations "withering away ",

Asked by Mr Christopher Price, chairman of the selec-committee, whether it would not take at least ten years for local authorities to be able to nffer a minimum guaranteet common curriculum to all pupils, Miss Sheila Brown: scnior chief inspector, said she thought that was "probably realistic".

Decision day for Coin Street puts question mark over inquiries

Planning Reporter

Mr Victor Radmore, a mild mannered surveyor, faces an unenviable task this morning. As the inspector in charge of the inquiry into the redevelopment of the Coin Street site in London, he must decide whether to try to proceed as scheduled or to announce a postronement.

If he insists on going ahead, there is almost certain to be a repetition of last Tuesday's prolonged and unruly disruptions. If he agrees to a postponement, he runs the risk of being accused of surrendering to threats.

Lart week Mr David Harter, a solicitor for the main group of Waterloo residents opposed to the scheme, put the position with surprising frankness. "The only alternative to postpenement is to hold the inquiry behind poince lines", he said.

Perhaps sensing that his

statement might be miscon-strucd, he added that it was not intended as a threat. Few of his clients would have any such inhibitions. They have made clear that they intend to stop by any means the inquiry going ahead until after next month's Greater London Council elections, after which they expect a victorious Labour

majority to scrap the scheme. Their attitude and tactics

the public inquiry system. The Lambeth council's view that the

The motorway objectors were protesting at the Government's determination to bulldoze its way through, and at its position as both advocate and judge. In down river, the case of the Coin Street proposals, the Government is not directly involved, and the opposition is essentially political.

According to the protesters, the Conservative majority at County Hall is abusing its powers and acting against the interests of the council's constituents in promoting a commer-cial redevelopment in conjunc-a cood socialist, I should say tion with Greycoat Commercial

They are particularly in-censed by the council's attempt to complete the sale of its land-holdings on the site to Greycoat before the elections.

But what is worrying im-partial observers is the Labour Party's stated intention to change the evidence submitted to the inquiry if it regains power next month.

Evidence, it is said, should be prepared by council officers on an impartial basis. For an inquiry to be told this month that a scheme is in the best interests of the community, and next month that it is unacceptable, is absurd. Some protesters are un-doubtedly long-standing local

same might have been said during the equally rowdy demonstrations at several motorway inquiries five years ago, but there is an important difference.

Lambert council's view that the land, instead of being sold in developer should be used for housing and public amenities.

Eut others appear to be outsiders whose main interest is in opposing private property in opposing private property developers. Many of the seme faces have been conspicuous at the inquiry into the Hay's Wharf project, a mile or so

In sharp contrast to Lam-heth, Southwark council has backed both schemes, even though its Labour majority is still more strongly entrenched.

"The Coin Street debate is not really about planning at all, but about land values". Mrs Ann Ward, deputy leader that I am against artificially inflated land values, and I would very much like to see more housing and fewer offices on the banks of the Thames. "But we have got to be realistic. To put housing and

light industry on these prime sites would be economic non-"The housing would be im-possibly expensive, and the factories are not what is needed. Children growing up in these

areas are going to want white collar jobs.
"Coin Street has been derelict for 40 years. If this scheme is prevented, there will not be any housing built instead, because there is no money to huild it. The place will just stay derelict."

Today

Sun rises : 6.08 am Sun sets: 7.55 pm Moon sets : Moon rises :

Moon sets: Moon rises:
4.42 am 2.41 pm
Full moon: April 19.
Lighting up: 8.25 pm to 5.35 am.
High water: London Bridge, 10.59
am, 6.2m; 11.34 pm, 6.1m. Avonmouth, 4.25 am, 10.4m: 5.12 pm,
10.8m. Dover, 8.51 am, 5.4m;
9.11 pm, 5.6m. Hull, 3.46am,
6.0m; 4.05 pm, 6.2m. Liverpool,
8.49 am, 7.6m; 9.28 pm, 7.8m.
1tt = 0.3048m. 1m = 3.280bit An anticyclone will persist over the North Sea but troughs of low pressure will cross Britain.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight : London, Midlands, N. Wale.; Mustly cloudy, outbreaks of rain, hall fog; wind SE, moderate to fresh; max temp 10° to 12°C (56° to 54°E).

to 54°F).

SE, central S SW England,
Channel Islands, S Wales: Rein,
perhaps heavy at times, log (E). St George's Channel; Wind
patches, brighter in places later; E, strong locally, gale at first.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c. cloud ; f, fair ;

Lake District, SW, NW Scot-land, Clascow, central highlands, Arcell, Moray Firth: Dry, mostly sunny: wind SE, moderate; max temp 10° to 12°C (50° to 55°F). "E England, Borders, Edin-hurgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Dry, mostly sunny; wind SE, moderate or fre-h: max temp 8° to 10°C (46° to 50°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Dry, Janny Intervals; wind variable, moderate; max temp 8° to 10°C 145° to 50°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thereday: Little change, dry and sunny in N. occasional rain in

tend SE, moster moderate: max temp 11° to 14°C (52° to 57°F). East Angha, C. AW, central N Fugland, Isle of Man, N Ireland: Mostly cloudy, occasional rain, chiefly in S; wind SE, fresh; max temp 9° to 12°C (48° to 51°F).

In th Sea : Wind SE, moderat

or fresh locally, strong at first; sea moderate or rough. Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am to pm, 13°C (53°F); min 7 gm to 7 am, 10°C (50°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 62 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, a trace. Sun. 24hr to 7 pm, 0.1hr. Bar. mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,026.9 millibars, falling. 1.900 millibars = 29.53ip-

MPs opposed to the expulsion of Mr Sands

Political Staff

the Commons, said last night Liberal leader, indicated that his consultations with the main they were strongly against exparties at eWstminster "have pelling the hunger-striker, on shown that it is the present general view of the House of Commons that no action should be taken" to expel Mr Robert Sands, the H-block hunger-striker, from the House.

He said he had had a number of discussions during the day

and would be reporting to the Cabinet today on what should

happen after Mr Sands's elec-tion as MP for Fermanagh South Tyrone,

As expected Mr John Silkin, Labour's shadow Leader of the MrM Francis Pym, Leader of House, and Mr David Steel, the ground that it would give the IRA a propaganda victory. Mr Steel favours a review

of the legislation on qualifications for election candidates. Although Mr James Molyneaux, the Official Ulster Unionist leader, is strongly in favour of expelling Mr Sands, is unlikely that he will initiate such a move, given the views of the main parties.

Editor of 'Sun' on leave for six months

The Sun, will take six months' leave after Easter, during which he will be replaced by an executive from a rival newspaper, it was announced last

Mr Kelvin McKenzic, night editor of the Daily Express, will be acting editor of The Sun during the six months. Mr Peter Stephens, former editor of the News of the World, will take over as editorial director of News Group Newspapers Lid, owners of The. Sun. The changes were announced

Sir Larry Lamb, editor of

by Mr Rupert Murdoch, chair-man of News Group.

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George Medal award for PC Lock and embassy siege rescuer

Police Constable Trevor Lock, Police Constable Trevor Lock, of the Metropolitan Police, and one of the Special Air Service Regiment soldiers who also fought terrorists in the siege of the Iranian Embassy in April, 1980, have been awarded the George Medal for gallantry.

Four other SAS men, including the officer who led the

ing the officer who led the team in what is described in the citation as "a brilliantly rescue awarded the Queen's Gallaniry

None of the SAS men is named, for security reason. The awards will probably he handed to the men by the

Pc Lock was on duty at the Embassy when he was con-fronted at the entrance by a man with a machine pistol.

He tried to close the down and there was a struggle in which he was injured by flying glass and overpowered. Six terrorists then burst into the Embassy firing their weapon-at the walls and ceilings, and 26 other people were taken

Although he was searched. Pc Lock successfully kept his revolver hidden during the five days tand nights of the siege.

During that period, the citation says, "Constable Lock was ion says, "Constable Lock was a nself-appointed duty with very fittle sleep, food or drink and remained coul and calm, with the result that he gradually built up a rapport with the

This had a calming effect on the terrorists and his fellow hostages on more than one occasion when, but for his intervension when, our for his interven-tion, the hostages' lives might have been lost." He was also continually called on to nego-tiate with the authorities outside the embassy.

On the sixth and final day the armosphere became ex-fremely tense. The gunmen set a deadline for their terms to be met, and during the morning one of the hostages was killed and his body placed outside the embassy.

Moments before the rescue assault, PC Lock, alone with the assault, FC Lock, alone with the terrorist leader, was called to the telephone. He heard breaking glass and a loud explosion, and realizing the operation had begun, shoulder charged the terrorist.

The gundian was caught offbalance and his weapon fell to the floor. During a struggle PC Lock overpowered him, drew his revolver and covered the man. An explosive device thrown into the room forced the two men apart, but the con-stable recaptured and held the

gunman until the soldiers burst

Constable Lock displayed "Constable Lock displayed gallantry and devotion to dury of a high order when, in spite of the long strain and ordeal of his capture, he tackled and overpowered this armed man, who had already caused the death of one hostage", the citation concludes. citation concludes.

The unnamed soldier who also receives the George Medal was in the first wave of rescuers from the roof, but he found himself suspended ten found himself uspended ten feet above a balcony when his abseil device jammed. His

He was badly burnt by flames billowing out from the window and, while in considerable pain, had himself cut loose and fell to the halcony. He then entered

the building
The citation states that " without doubt the successful rescue of the majority of the hostages was due to his quick thinking, his courage and personal example. Regardless of his injuries and the fire raging on the second floor, he con-tinued to lead his men "with coolness and decisiveness ".

The officer in charge receives his award for reconnoitring and organizing the plan, which called for split-second timing to ensure minimum casualties mong the hostages.

The citation says he displayed "personal courage, leadership and tactical brillionce of the highest order. He inspired not only his own men but also the police by his example, calmness and good humous?"



Lock: "Gallantry and devo-

Court challenge to SDP over name of party

From Our Correspondent

its name. Writs are to be served today on about 25 people, including the "Gang of Four", alleging that they " Four", alleging that they "pur-loined" the SDP rag.

Later this week the High Court in Manchester will be asked to issue an interim injunction against the party members, including Mrs Shieley Williams, Mr William Rodgers, Mr Roy Jenkins and Dr David Owen, to ston them using the Owen, to stop them using the

The plaintiff is a left-wing party formed in March, 1980, called the Social Democratic Party. It has put up candidates in elections in Sheffield, Manchester and Glasgow. A Manchester barrister, a member of the original SDP, is filing the claim.

Yesterday their spokesman,

Labour plan for

Climber killed Humbersid. It could be confusing, because we have no connexion with them." A spokesman for the new SDP said last night: "We are steking legal advice". was found in a ravine.

industry to revive rural areas

More industry and better public transport for rural areas were urged yesteday in a rural revival programme by the Labour Party's national executive.

More than 60 recommenda-tions were put forward in a statement by the executive after conference in York aimed a: helping rural areas.

As well as a significant expansion of light industry geared to local resources and local needs and radical improvements in the public transport network, the statement calls for efforts

to retain village schools. A general increase in expenditure on public services and free installation and rental of telephones for the elderly in need, the disabled and the chronically sick are also recommended.

A widering of the county

sick are also recommended.

A widening of the scope and an increase in the financial resources of the Development Commission, encouragement of the National Enterprise Board and the Cooperative Development Agency to become involved in rural projects were also urged, together with the appointment of a coordinating minister for rural affairs.

The statement, Out of Town,

The statement, Out of Town, Out of Mind: A Programme for Rural Revival, says the greatest and cheapest potential rural job creation exists in light in-dustry. "Small, localized pro-jects would be able to blend into the countryside while satisfying the limited employment needs of a small community". it said.

"Experience shows the bene fits quickly spread to the re-mainder of the village and start

off a total revival." The statement also made recommendations on rural hous-ing policy, including the need for more rented bousing, the use of empty property and action for areas of high second nome ownership.

contrades threw assault gren-ades into an adjuining room, which rapidly became an inferno because inflammable material had been strewn there.



Constable

Mr Dauglas Parkin, who is standing us an SDP candidate The Social Democrats face a in Bailey in next month's county fight to make it change county council elections, said: name. Our Manchester barrister had talks with 'the gang' before they launched their

perty.

"But all we have seen in the press was all sorts of suggestions for their title. It was not until March 26 that they announced their name. As a result we are taking action."

Mr Parkin, aged 42, of Birstall, near Leeds, a supervisor at a homeless single parent centre, added: "I am standing as a SDP candidate in the county elections. I am told that the other SDP is fielding about six candidates in Yorkshire and Humbersid. It could be confusing because we have no

Striptease performers seek

By Martin Huckerby
Theatre Reporter
Striptease performers were
professional entertainers who professional entertainers who needed protection from exploitation by agents and employers, the annual meeting of Equity, the actors' union, was told yesterday. A motion seeking improved treatment for such performers was overwhelmingly approved.

Miss Paula Tinker, a dancer, the proposer of the motion, said the conditions in public houses and many clubs were appalling, but it was the agents who were responsible for most of the ills. They treated the girls "like cattle".

As well as improved dressing room and other incilities, she room and other facilities, sae said, protection was necessary "if need be from over-enthusiastic customers, but predominantly from agents and employers". She complained of agents who took more than 20 per least commission and others agents who took more than 20 per cent commission and others who ran protection rackets.

Miss Tinker also mentioned that people in Equity thought she ought not to raise the issue of striptease performers. To

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be known in October.

logical effect,

The effect of unemployment on coronary heart discase had been significant. Dr David Player, director of the Scottish health director of the shich is

health education group which is carrying out studies on the relationship, said yesterday. The results of the studies will be because of the studies will be because the studies of the studies will be because the studies will be studies.

Dr Player told a news confer-

ence that coronary heart disease among people in Scotland was the highest in Eritain. Deaths from the disease among Scottish males were the highest world. Unempleyment

in the world. Unemployment

was having a serious psycho-

better working conditions loud applause she said: "They are the same as we are: they are performing; they are enter-

are performing; they are enter-taining."

Miss Annie Lewis, a strip-tease dancer, said there was in-creased pressure on perfor-mers; agents in the London area had such a snonopoly that the girls did not dare to complain if anything went

She also spoke of violence by customers and of a lack of protection by public house and club managers. The motion seeks talks with

club managers, agents and representatives of public house licensees to obtain contracts, professional fees and improved conditions for striptease per-

At the meeting, in London, Equity also condemned the attempt by Mrs Mary White-house and others to prevent performances of the National Theatre play, The Romans in With only one dissenting voice, the meeting gave support to Mr Michael Bogdanov, who directed the play.

Whitehall brief: Why 95 per cent of defence budget is devoted to containing the Soviet Union Russian leaders face some sharp choices throughout the next decade

By Peter Hennessy
What is the intelligence estimate of the Soviet Union's intentions and capabilities that lies behind Britain's defence

spending in this the thirty-sixth year of the cold war that developed between Russia and the Western allies from the moment Hitler's Germany was

defeated?

It is an intriguing question to ask the day before the Government's annual defence White Paper is published and Ministry. of Defence is in the throes of a thoroughgoing review of its commitments as the country's pour economic performance places the defence budget under pressure.

Governments of both parties have taken the potential Soviet menace seriously since 1945. Britain has consistently de-Britain has consistently de-voted a higher proportion of its gross domestic product to defence than any of its Nato allies except the United States.

A good place to start is with a "top secret" Chiefs of Staff a "top secret" thield of state of Comittee document declassified in January which surveyed "the Spread of Russian Communism" less than a month after the outbreak of the Korean War in 1950. Here, as in the United States, the Korean conflict caused the

cold war mould to set hard, very largely determining the shape of the West's defence posture ever since. The paper prepared by the chief's joint planning staff in August, 1950, summed up the Soviet inten-tion; "The Russian aim in cold and hot war is to establish a

Defence spending in Britain as a percentage of gross domestic product (at factor cost) since the onset of the cold war (Figures supplied by Mr Robert Clements, statistical section, House of Commons Library) UK accepts Nato plan to increase defence spending by 3% a year until 1985 1946 48 50 52 54 56 58 60 62 64 66 68 70 72 74 76 78 80.

communist world dominated by Moscow' planners listed four

methods by which the Russians had extended their control since

By supporting a coup d'état hy pseudo-constitutional means as in Crechoslovakia:
By political pressure as in Poland:
By the support, either directly ur indirectly through satellites, of communist rebellions as in China;
By Russian-inspired military aggression as in Korea.

stry of Defence look like sets no time limit on its achieve-today? It would be more ment and remains obsessed, in sophisticated, less monolithic in the light of history, with the its view of communism's many varieties but still, in its way, menacing in offering a clear explanation of why 95 per cent of the country's defence budget is even now devoted to containing the Soviet Union.

The Russia watchers in Whitehall reckon that the Soviet Union is motivated by both expansionist and defensive

Magistrates at Leamington

Spa, Warwickshire, yesterday

placed Stewart Wilkinson, aged

17, of Armslote, Stratford-on-

Avon, on probation for two

need to procets its own home-The Whitehall intelligence

community has not been affec-ted by the "revisionist" debate about the origins of the cold war that has flourished, particu-larly in the United States, since the mid-1960s. Revisionists em-phasize the defensive roots of Moscow's foreign policy, but Whitehall analysts are convin-The document ends by listing 25 places and areas whose loss in the cold war would have important strategic consequences for the West.

What would a comparable paper produced inside the Mini-

years. He had admitted stealing

scalpels, oxygen cylinders, rrolleys, chemicals and hundreds of surgical instruments.

Mr Wilkinson, who was ordered to pay £125 costs, had

told the court that he had built

the artic surgery at a girl friend's bome and used it to

magistrates

mended that he should con-

tinue to receive medical treat-

recom

carry out experiments animals.

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British intelligence can produce a depressing picture of a Soviet Union continuing to devote between 12 and 14 per devote between 12 and 15 per devote between 16 per devote between 16 per devote between 17 per devote between 18 per devote between 18 per devote between 19 per devote bet cent of its gross national product to defence, having reached a position of equivalence with the United States on nuclear weapons and with the strong possibility that many of the movarions in military technology in the 1980s will come from Russian rather than cent of its gross national pro-duct to defence, having reached a position of equivalence with from Russian rather than American laboratories. It can also produce an alurming list of missiles, tanks, aircraft and ships that poured out of Soviet

factories last year.

Defence intelligence analysts have been accused by some insiders familiar with their product of overdoing the Soviet threat, thereby raising the risk of defeatism. The Russians simply cannot be that good, effortlessly extending their power over all quarters of the globe. They must have their difficulties 100, the dissenters maintain,

The intelligence community would agree about Soviet weak-nesses and believes the Russian leadership is going to be fuced with some sharp choices in the 1980s. They point to Russia's poor economic performance and lack of productivity outside its military procurement industries. it worries about its ethnic minorities, its satellites and above all, China. The Central that Russia will become a net in its favour in the d that Russia will become a net importer of energy by 1985-86.

Are we doomed to watch means short of war.

About 500 steelworkers from

the private sector company.

Mr Michael Adams, works

convener, said last night that

the men were satisfied that Mr

Ian MacGregor, chairman of the British Steel Corporation,

500 in steelworks protest

the private sector company. Hadfields, Sheffield, are to meet Labour MPs at the House of Commons today to discuss the plant's future,

Corporation, private steelworks.

own soil, a perspective for West and East continuing 40 which the revisionist case is of equip themselves with higger and better weapons in the part

By next year, Whitehall intelligence believes, there could be some revealing pointers. Will the Soviet Union relax a little after its recent surge to improve its intercontinental ballistic missiles and decide to devote more of its resources to consumption and preparing for its threa-tened energy gap? Or will it react to a quickening of mili-tary procurement in the United States under the Reagan Administration by launching another unward spiral in its weapons technology?

Finally, does British intelli-gence believe war with the Soviet Union is likely in the next decade? The answer is no", provided Nato keeps up its nuclear shield, no doubts occur about the United States commitment to Western Europe and there is no breakup of the

alliance.
In the meantime, Russia will, Whitehall reckons, continue to in its favour in the disposition of military, economic, politica and technical forces by al

intended to close Hadfields with the loss of 2,600 jobs once tha

company sgreed to merge with

the Steel Corporation in what

The men, travelling in 10 coaches, will attempt this afternoon to Jobby Conservative MPs

to ask if it is Government policy

sanction the closure of

Challenge on smoking by Dr Owen

Dr David Owen yesterday accused successive governments of having cravenly refused to challenge two powerful commercial interests, the tobacco and alcoholic drinks industries. and account drives industries.

He. called for a determined, scientifically based strategy to reduce drastically cigarette smoking and excessive drinking.

Dr Owen, Social Democrat MP for Plymouth, Devonport, delivering the Lord Cohen Lecture to the Royal Society of Health's annual congress in or Heater's annual confress to London, said: "It might be felt to be foothardy for a Social Democrat so early to challenge two potential sources of industrial funding for a new political party; so be it.

" Smoking causes lung cancer, "Smoking causes lung cancer, chronic broughtis and coronary artery disease, which now have an incidence of epidemic proportions, About 500,000 people in England and Wales have a serious problem with alcoholic drink, and in Scotland the is proportionately much worse.

"Smoking and drinking to excess do not affect only the individual; they affect many who suffer discomfort from drunken behaviour : they affect orunken penaviour; they affect the families of those who die and the state financially through its provision of health services and widows' pensions. He recalled that in 1975, when

he was Minister for Health, the Labour government agreed to consider using the Medicine Act to combat the promotion and sale of tobacco.

He said that under the pro-visions of the Act health ministers might specify controls on products

A man climbing with a party died yesterday after falling 40ft from Raven Crag. Borrowdale, in the Lake District. His body

Surgeon fantasy by clerk In brief From Our Correspondent Leamington Spa A young hospital clerk's fan-

attic.

£70,000 damages tasy to become a surgeon led for cyclist him to steal more than £3,000 of medical equipment to set up

Mr Trevor Budgen, an amateur cycling champion, who had to give up the sport after losing his right leg an operating theatre in an in an accident, was awarded f70,000 agreed damages in the High Court in London yesterday.

Mr Budgen, aged 33, of Birch Close, Crawley Down, West Sussex, was riding to a race when a car ran into him.
The damages were awarded, by consent, against Mr Clive John Bingham, of Landseer Road, Brighton, the driver, who denied liability.

Priest fined for theft

Father Morris Naudi, aged 66, a Roman Catholic priest, of St Anselm and St Celia's Church, High Holborn, who admitted stealing an umbrella and a scarf steaming an unforcing and a scarry valued at £10.65 from the Army & Navy Stores, Victoria, Lon-don, was fined £10 by magis-trates at Horseferry Road court

Sir Peter Hayman

Sir Peter Hayman and Lady Hayman arrived home at Checkendon, Oxfordshire, yes-They lett when he was named in the House of Commons as the former diplomat who had been interviewed by police officers investigating child pornography

£400m road pledge

Work on the £400m scheme to create a dual carriageway between Chester and Bangor will go ahead despite reports to the contrary. Mr Michael Roberts, Under-Secretary of State at the Welsh Office, said yesterday. He was opening the £5.6m Dolgellau by-pass.

Viaduct repairs

British Rail is spending Eritish Rail 18 spending E500,000 on renewing the 30 worst affected piles in the Barmouth viaduct, in Gwynedd, which is being attacked by marine boring creatures. It will ask the Welsh Office and the Department of Transport for the remaining £1.2m needed.

Sex shop sentence

Alfred Hunter; a sex shop owner, aged 39, of Quarry Park Road, Exeter, was freed on bail pending an appeal, by magistrates at Exeter yesterday after he was fined £1,000 and jailed for the prospersing the prospersion of the for three months for possessing obscene articles for gain.

Runaway bear shot

One of four brown bear which estaped on Sunday from the Loch Lomond wildlife park was shot for "safety reasons" yesterday. Two were caught and one was found back in its enclosure, fast asleep.

Workman's fatal fall

Mr Anthony Nightingale, of Barnham, West Sussex, died in hospital yesterday after falling 25 feet from scaffolding while carrying out alterations to the Oxford Museum of Modern Art.

Marina fire

Five motor cruisers were seriously damaged in a fire at Quay West Marina, Poole, Dorset. The general manager

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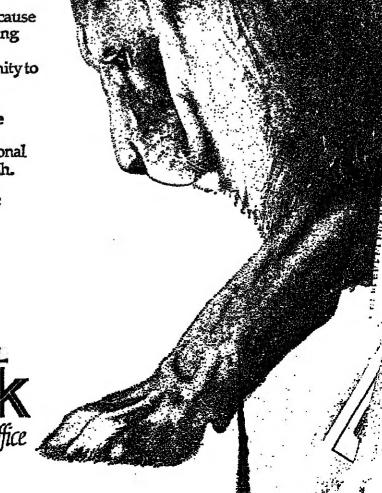
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Fears of renewed violence at Easter 'solidarity' rally

representatives from 25 towns extremes living in the area.

The rally is to be held on Contre near Brixton police station. Mr Rudy Narayan, convener of the newly formed Brixton Defence Committee which is organizing it, denied that this could lead to fresh violence.

Mr Narayan a prominent black barrister, said the black communities of Brixton were determined to launch a massive defence campaign for those arrested, both political and in the courts. He spoke of black people "perhaps for the first time facing the crisis with

He added: "We believe the time has come for the black community to act as one. We are not going to break the law. We are going to act peacefully and lawfully. The rest is up to the police "

In the aftermath of the disturbances many community leaders were strongly critical of and bitter that past warnings about growing tension in Brixton had been ignored.



Mr Rudy Narayan : " A crisis

The Rev Robert Nind, Vicar of St Matthew's, Brixton, for 12 years described some young police officers' attitudes to-wards blacks as "mindblow-ing". He accused the police of setting up an arena for controntation in central Brixton and destroying the prospect of normality by cutting off the area from the outside world.

Mr Nind said that at 2.30 pm on Sunday he and the Right Rev Ronald Bowlby, Eishop of Southwark, had asked the police to withdraw their main strength as there was no longer threat to law and order. "They just drew up their shoulders and said 'We never

withdraw The charge of outside influence in the violence made by Sir David McNee, the Metrorolltan Police Commissioner also fiercely denied one community worker acknowledged the pull

of increasing militancy among Mr Ivan Madray, a senior youth club worker at the Railnon community centre, said:
"Sir David has brought in
policemen from outside the
community who do not know a damn thing about the area or about the feelings of the people

in it. That is the only outside influence that matters."

Mr Madray, whose youth club

Fears grew vesterday of a is surrounded by the charred renewed confrontation with ruins of buildings at the lower police next weekend when black leaders plan to organize a mass "solidarity" rally involving many people from both political

He said; "They are people; who are ready for battle. They congregate here because they the message to stand up for their rights and to fight for their rights. They say you have to wage a war, some say a political war. When you have a group of distillutioned and depressed people anyone can come in and offer them sweets. Hungry people take swects. These are the things we are fighting against."

Much of the radiculism is associated with the offices of Race Today magazine, on a side street off Railton Road, Mr Darcus Howe, the editor, was not available for comment yesterday

Many left wing groups, including the Revolutionary Communist Tendancy and the Labour Party Young Socialists, moved into Brixton yesterday to announce press conference or publicized campaigns. They were dismissed contemptuously by local blacks. Copies of the newspaper Militant, organ of the Trotskyite Militant Tendancy, were lying about in the offices of the Brixton Defence Committee—brought in by "freaks", according to one scornful member of the com-

mittee. Many complaints about police behaviour have been made to the defence committee. They have been accused of delibera-

creating confrontation and seeking violence Mr Narayan said: "Police committed enough crimes on Sunday night to lock up 100

policemen on riot charges themselves. "We totally reject Sir David McNee's fabrication that out-siders came to Brixton. The

only outsiders were McNee's stormtroopers, the Special Patrol Group, some armed with

went off-the youths were told

Mrs Poole said her son, who

bumps on his head from being

hit by a dustbin lid and had

his coat ripped off, "He said they kicked him so hard his legs were lifted off the floor." Ricky Lawrence had 14 stitches

in his head, but had been taken

from Kings College Hospital

where she had sen and talked to him, to Brixton Police

Wayne Sanson, aged 17, of

lids,

Camberwell was with them. He said police started "laying into

everyone with dustbio

truncheons, and torches".

Station.

to lie down on their faces.

Sunday evening.

Patrol Group, some armed with guns, who came to attack and terrorize our community."

One injured youth, Ricky Lawrence, aged 17, of Brixton, was alleged to have been with a group of about 100 youths caught between two lines of police in a narrow alleyway. He was taken to hospital with He was taken to hospital with head and arm injuries.

Mrs Patricia Poole, a white housewife, of Coldharbour Lane, said Ricky had gone with

her son and other friends as onlookers to the town centre on They found themselves in a group of youths, black and white, who were herded into a narrow alley with mounted police at one end and officers carrying dustbin lids at the other. The lights in the alley

"It's disastrous. After the of rubble, twisted railings, and buge rate increases of the past broken glass from the streets, three years, the supplementary many shops stayed shut and the "They beat up the tenant's rate of 37.5 per cent, and this only good business was done by wife and actually poured petricing, who on earth in their the scores of plate-glass win-rol on the tenant and tried

With thousands of pounds of stock gone, he said: "Six years we have spent building up this business, and it's all gone in As the store—subject to two

"We pay £147 a week rates for this frontage, 4ft by 24ft. It's more expensive than Oxford Street. Lamberh spends



'It would have ended quickly if the Bill had gone away'

By John Witherow

Andrea Thomas and Simone Norman (above) are young, black, restless and typical of the hundreds of people who set Brixton ablaze over the weekend. They are also adamant that the black community was not to blame for the trouble: "The tension got bad but it would have ended if the Bill (the police) had gone away. If the police were not around there would he nothing to riot against. We don't want violence and violence is pushed upon us ".

Perched on a front wall in a street close to Railton Road, now a scene of desolation after Saturday night's rioting, they resulted by the police. They said they had been taunted about being poor, about their colour and appearance and police had shouted comments at them such as

"Thank God I'm homosexual".

Despite being aged only fourteen and sixteen, both had left home because they want to be more independent and now live in a hostel for the homeless in Brixton. They were born in the South London district and apart from a brief spell in neighbouring Clapham have lived all their

Their thinking shows signs of confusion and anger: "People want to destroy the shops to show them we love Brixton so much ". The riot was also nothing to do with racialism, they said. There were black and white people involved in the fighting and most of the anger was simply directed against the police.

Their talk though is full of warnings for the future: "All we want is to be treated as equals. We've had enough of

the police. All we know", Andrea said, "is that there's going to be another time

Brixton starts to count the cost By David Nicholson-Lord, Sarah Segrue, Nicholas Timmins, and John Witherow.

Britain's first opportunity to thousands of pounds on com-going to stay." count the cost of the riots, in munity relations, and look what The disturb terms of injuries, wrecked buildit's done for us." They, he racial, he saidings, and disrupted public series, would not be paying their that caused this

rates.

It was the day of the dustcart and the demolition cranes.

At the Dolcis shoe shop, Mr
williams williams, the manager,

cart and the demolition cranes as shopkeepers and residents got back to work—and worried about who was to pay the bill.

Some of the insurance assessions rouring the area estimated the cost of the damage as £2m or more, and as the local Chamber of Commerce said it would be having an urgent meeting with Mr Ted Knight, ledaer of Lambeth Borough Council, about compensation.

Mr Leonard Winchester, sec.

Mr Leonard Winchester, secretary of Lambeth Chamber of Commerce, with about 250 members, many of whom were smaller shopkeepers in the Brixton area, said he feared many would leave.

"The pressing question is of insurance cover", he said. "Many insurers have different exclusion clauses, covering riots and civil disorder." He understood that the police might pay for compensation if it was accepted that the damage was due to ciot. "We need was due to riot. "We need clear guidelines on that", he added.

right minds would want to stay in Brixton?

"They [the small shop-smashed window keepers] are all examining hundred shops. their leases to see how many months or years they have got took a more sanguine view than Mr Winchester. Mr Richard of Wholworths (said:

one evening.

arson attacks, heavy looting and a fire-carried on business, he said: "We have bad a dis-Oxford turbance by several hundred spends criminals but certainly we are

looting.

Mr Piers O'Connor, who lives above a ransacked jeweller's shop, said the shop's

owner, who was aged 60, was cut about the head and shoved

as he tried to defend his

stock.
"They came in wayes", be

said. There were mothers and

children among them. Occa-sionally a car would pull up and shovel two or three tele-visions in the buck and push

off again, the police were just ineffective."

workers towed away wrecked cars and vans and cleared tons

smashed windows in almost a

As a small army of council

The disturbance was not jured, stolen, or destroyed, by racial, he said "It is thuggery any persons riotously and that caused this. It is attribute tumultuously able to the same thuggery we had in Bristol. A fortnight ago that happened, and here we are

again." For many of the smaller shops the destruction is something they may not be able to ride. At least three small jewellers, as well as two chain jewellers, were ransacked, and in one instance the shop was destroyed after a petrol bomb attack.

Mr Descond Guans, who with his brother runs a jewelry and camera shop at the entrance to Reliance Arcade, off the main road, said: "We are ruined unless the insurance companies Day up.

In Railton Road, by the scene of the worst confrontations with the police, Dr Mohammed Khan, who has practised there for five years, said he intended to leave. With all his surgery windows smashed and everything turned upside down, he said: "It is just a question of finding a

A surveyor for Watneys, examining the burnt out remains of the George publicg bouse, said of the Saturday night trouble: "The staff were threatened with knives.

dow firms replacing many to set fire to him. They threathousands of pounds worth of tened to cut off his wife's fingers unless she gave up her

The announcement by Mr Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, that compensation for the damage done would be paid under the Riot Damages Atc. 1886, did not mean that the Metropolitan Police are admitting liability for the riot, the Home Office said. The Act allows for claims for

damage to bouses, shops, or buildings, or property in the

premises which has been ' any persons riotously and tumultuously assembled together", and the compensation is a charge on the police rate. It does not, however, cover damage to vehicles.

Claims from private individuals and companies have to be made to the Metropolitan Police receiver within 14 days of the incident on a form that Office. Those seeking compensation for personal injury will have to approach the Criminal Injuries Board.

The injuries and damage in Brixton included: A total of 143 policemen taken to hospital, of whom nine

are still detained; One policeman, Police Con-

stable Dennis Ozols, still un conscious with a fractured skull suffered on Saturday night Condition "serious"; At. least 30 people, other than policemen, treated in hospital;

One girl, attempting to flee the riot area, was reped, according to Scotland Yard.

☐ The total of arrests was put Twenty-six premises damaged by fire, including three public

houses, five houses, and two boutiques. A total of 76 shops damaged, and 31 shops and houses slightly damaged.

Sixty-one police vehicles damaged, four of them write-offs; 19 private vehicles damaged by stones and fire; windows smashed in three coaches used by police,

Postal services in Brixton area disrupted. Sub post-office in Railton Road destroyed by fire, work at sorting offices at Brixton and Stockwell "scriously disrupted"; deliveries and some collections likely to be affected.

Policing and crime

National Front man among whites and blacks fined and bailed

As several buildings in Brixtoo still smouldered yesterday, the courts opened hearings against people accused of a gainst people accused of a painter, of Teckford Road Stockwell. He is accused of too still smouldered yesterday, variety of offences arising from the riots.

At Horseferry Road, Leslie Roberts, a swimming instructor, who says he is a member of the National Front, was among seven whites and 14 coloured appearing in court.

Roberts, who was fined 540 for swearing at police, blamed the police for the troubles and claimed the youths who went on the rampage sought "revenge" for the death on Saturday of a young black who was stabbed in Railton Road on Science of Rather Road of Friday. [In fact, Scotland Yard said yesterday that the man, Mr Michael Bailey, was in St Thomas' Hospital and was likely to be discharged

Another white, Nicholas Ouis, a 23-year-old butcher of Portland Street, Walworth, was fined the maximum of £50 after admitting threatening be-baviour. He was said to have thrown stones at the police after going to his employer's shop in Brixton Hill after the premises

Eighteen other men and stried to leap from the dock.
women were remanded on bail. The two dealt with, an unemvariously charged with assault ployed white man, aged 21, and on police, threatening behaviour, pan 18-year-old black secretary, possession of offensive west-cach admitted using threatening pons and other offences.

ing areas. Those banned from Railton Road were: John Frederick aged 21, a carpenter, of Gordon House, Battersea, accused of theft and assaulting police Andrew Cairns, aged 26, a job-less white of Barnwell Road, accused of stealing; Ronald

of Regina Road, South Nic-wood, using Insulting words and behaviour; Norris White, aged 44, unemployed, of St Agnes Place, Kennington, accused of baving an offentive weapon, and Donald Facey, aged 29, a record promotet, of Melbourns Grove, East Dulwich, accused of using

threatening words and throw-The five, together with owen Westcar, aged 22, a touth worker, of Mayall Road. Berne

Hill, who is accused of assaulting police and having an offen-sive weapon, were also offered to live at their own addresses. Paul Reynolds, aged 31 and unemployed, of Mayflower Road, Erixton, was given unconditional bail. He is accused

of trespass with intent to steal. Nigel Button, white, aged 26 and unemployed, of Lingham

Spence, aged 22, a fitter of Lancaster Gardens, Fulham, were given unconditional bail. They are accused of having a brick as an offensive weapon. O'Neil Crooks, aged 17, a labourer, of Leander Road,

Brixton, accused of using threatening behaviour, throwing stones, stealing a police jacker and assaulting a policeman. was granted beil and bound over to keep the reace. A white woman, Bruna Bafoot, ared 23, a housing advisor, of Buckleigh Avenue,

Morden Surrey, was accused of threatanine behaviour and having an offensive weepon. She

having an oftensive weapon and assaubing police. Tyrenc Kum, aged 18, a clerk, and Montague Walters, aged 17, a printer's apprentice, both of Marston House, Overton Road Stockwell, were both accused of assaulting police. They were granted bail and bound over

to keep the peace. Also granted bail were; Cuthbert Louis, aged 17 and unemployed, of Clapham North, accused of threatening behaviour ; Maxine Barnet, aged 13 and unemployed of no fixed address, accused of theft; Tona Davis, aged 19 and unemployed of Overton Road, actused of theft and Linford Michael, aged 23, a motor michanic of Long Lane, Southwark, accused of entering with

intent to steal. Forty-six people appeared before Camberwell Magistrates on similar charges-including having a car as a weapon. Most London, and nearly all were re-

manded on bail.

A further nine people were has been looted.

A third white, Richard Pearce, aged 48, of no fixed address, was remanded in custody accused of assaulting police.

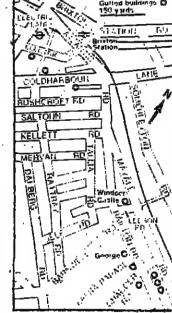
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Mr Kenneth Harington, the and £250 respectively and bound

magistrate, banned some of the aver, defendants from Railton Road, He was William Cawston of as a condition of bail, and bound over others to keep the lev said Cawston was among a peace. All but three of the 215 group of 150 youths in Railton leve in Brixton or the surrounds Road and was seen throwing long areas.

bricks at police cordons. Cawsing denied hurling bricks. He said they were only small stones. Det Sergeant Batley said: "Over the two-day period some 200 police officers have been injured, some seriously. Some are still in hospital and some are resting at home. Many injuries have been caused by missiles that hit

them on the head." Miss Dawn Freedman, the magistrate, passing sentence said: "Each person who was involved in this appalling incident played their part, and without each person no doubt the incident might not have



TUC wants more help for jobless

By Staff Reporters

Trade union leaders are demanding a big increase in government spending in inner-city areas to reduce unemployment among young blacks in the wake of the Brixton riots. Talks on a TUC initiative were held at Congress House

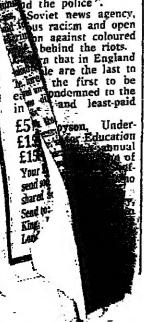
last night between national and regional officials, and local leaders of the Lambeth and Greater London trades councils, after Mr Len Murray. TUC general secretary, made his appeal for funds. Describing the riots as "a sad reflection of Britain", Mr Murray said: "Following the

incidents at St Paul's, Bristol, the TUC warned the Home Secretary about the dispropor-tionate effects of the recession on the black communities ". me said the Government should "make a commitment to support, with adequate re-sources, the regeneration "of Briton

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nueth Gill, chairman of

the UC Equal Rights and Race





One of the 107 black policemen in the Metropolitan police on duty in a devastated area of Brinton with a white colleague. Outside London, the forces with most officers of black and Asian origin are the West Midlends (47), Greater Manchester (17) and Leicestershire (12). There are only six on Merseyside.

By Stewart Tendler

Crime Reporter

"It may well have not hap-pened last weekend but it was bloody well going to happen sometime". For one middle-ranking policeman with experience in and around Brixton the part few days came as no sur-As far as the outside world

is concerned realization dawned with the devastation, looting, and barrages of missiles. To the police it was the point at which a steady drip turned to a torrent.

It has been a standing rule in the area for some years that policemen patrolling in uniform or plain clothes travel in pairs.

The Friday and Saturday night patrols to the big dance halls in Streatham at the top of Brixton Hill are undertaken with caution. The appearance of the blue uniforms at the often brings a heightened atmosphere and the risk of a bottle flying out from the

It adds up in the middle-aged officer's mind to an area "very hosrile to police, hostility not only from the people who live there but from the local authority as well ". Like many police officers, this man saw a distinct differ-

ence between white and black in relation to the police." There is almost an inbred tendency for the coloured people to believe they mucht to be able to do their own thing ", he said.

bring difficulties, but the in-gredients in the melting pot include Brixton's crime rate. -50 to 60 robberies a week which is double those of the action had to be taken to avoid next worst area in London and. nationally, the highest sheet Paul's, Bristol, a year ago.

sent in a special squad of 150 found "the conditions of com-detectives and uniformed men munity/police relations in Lam-

Why we stop black youngsters to fight street crime in the Brixton area.

In November, 1980 robbery cases dropped from 68 in some months a year year before to 33 while handbag snatches fell from 47 to 35 and other types of "snatch" robbery from six to two. At the same time burglaries over the month fell by Sixty per cent of those arres-ted were white while the rest

were coloured. The officer said many of the robberies were the work of black youths and the arrests for burglaries "once again shows a predominance of black youths committing them". Given that situation, "you have a natural

tendency for police officers to look towards black youths as a source of crime. That is why you get a situation where the police stop black youngsters In 1978, for example, 77 per cent of the people arrested were black and there have been claims of discrimination from a community that makes up less than a quarter of the Lambeth

borough population. The law is now being recommittee of the Home Affairs Committee examined the legisla-

Sir David McNee, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, has defended its use, pointing out that "there was no reason to doubt the validity of police arrest rates for certain street offences including auxpected persons"

The questions over the use of o do their own thing", he said. the "sus" law in the Lambeth That difference alone might area were followed by a highly critical local report earlier this year on general policing methods. The independent inquiry warned in January thet an cruption like that at St A working party, headed by Last autumn Scotland Vard Mr David Turner-Samuels, QC.

beth is extremely grave. This situation is created by the nature of the police force and basic policing methods. The police did not take part

in the inquiry which, they felt, would not produce an impartial ted by 275 groups and indiviman yesterday that the young men who do much of the policing in such inner city areas are in difficulties. "It

takes", he said "years of ex-perience to get the right atti-

tude to deal with everyone and everybody, to turn it on for one and off for another." With few older men to advise him a young officer— constables can be on the streets from the age of 19 may find himself in a dilemma. Tension may inhibit or encourage over-reaction. Attitudes can be sharpened by the memory of a recent fight or a

"The public at large expects its policemen to be all things to all men from the very first day. They make no excep-tions", he said, "whether the man is young or mature. They see the mature man as the norm which does not give the young man much chance to manoeuvre."

complaint.

In the past in Brixton the men on the street have been supported by the Special Patrol Group vans. The use of the SPG, which has been accused of heavy-handed factics, was the centre of argument but the police felt the extra presence achieved its end. They are not arch-villians", the policeman said vesterday, "but they said yesterday, "but they dampened down activities and the crime rate dropped."

In the aftermath of the weekend the use of the SPG is likely to be raised again. There may well he calls for better community relations and more coloured policemen.

never had any problems from law, let alone exercise discre-white; but had a lot of prob-lems with blacks. He would not policemen has any more abuse, he would not get any less and would be deemed a traitor."

Thereare in feet, 107 black and Vian police officers perving in the Mariopolitan Police, nut of a total of 286 in England and Wales, the Home Office said esterday, Those 286 compare with a total of 117,000 police officers in England and Wales (Peter Evans writes). Mr Leon Beittan, Minister of

State at the Home Office, said on November 3 in reply to a parliamentary question: "Chief officers of police share my wish to increase the number of minerities. A special advertising campaign has just begun in the ethnic minerit press and will continue for ome months. This follower similar campaign early last sear.

A report in 1972 of the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration expressed con-tern about the law numbers, describing them as "only a handful" and called on the Home Office to study again the recruitment of black and Asian officers misee what encourage-ment could be given.

The report said: "The police population of which coloured people of form a significant part. They should therefore he represented at least roughly, in relation to their numbers." In 1972, there were just 38 black and Asim officers in England and Wales, 13 of them in

the Metopolitan Police.

Before then, the feeling was

As for coloured policemen? that such officers would not be The officer yesterday said: familiar enough with Ernish "One coloured officer I knew ways to be able to enforce the. law, let alone exercise discre-

The areas of weekend rioting

Later, it became apparent that there was some resistance within the black community, in particular, to joining the police. The select committee noted that West Indians commonly ex-pressed the fear of heirg labelled as "traitors" or "Uncle Toms" by their com-munities, stemming from a view of the police as part of an enti-coloured Establishment.

The select committee foresaw that coloured recruirment would oung West Indians saw the police as interuments of oppression and while many Asian pureurs judged police service here by the standards of the police service in other

Recent recruiting aimed directly at people of black of Asian background is regarded as disoppointing. When the campaign began there were about 30 black and Asian officers in the force, Nevertheless, the Home Office figures show that numbers grew to 71 in 1976 The latest total given by the force is "about 110". Since 1975, there has been no direct uppeal for black and Asian recruits, though they

literature. The most senior officer of West Indian or Asian back ground is Inspector Ros. Hepe-who is of Guyanese origin. He went to school in Wotford and began police work in Lewisham Home Office studistics do not show before 1967 haw many blac kill being officers there were in the Metraponian Police in that year there was only officers and officers there was only officers and officers there was only officers and officers there was only officers there was only officers there was only officers there was only of the only o As a sergeent he took a course sinner, soid: "The only colour we recognise is blue."

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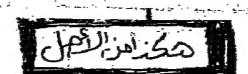
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Hint of rail strike action if pay offer is not improved

British Rail, which yesterday dismayed union leaders with a 7 per cent pay offer, was last night facing mounting cancella-tions of Sheffield and Manchester services because of industrial action over a planued freight line closure.

Union leaders representing 180,000 British Rail workers reacted sharply to the annual pay offer tabled in national talks in London. They are to consult their executives before resuming negotiations on Thursday.

All three unions emphasized at the talks that they were seeking increases of not less than the levels close to 13 per cent awarded to miners and workers in the utilities.

Mr Charles Turnock, assistant general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, said after the talks that he could "see our members taking strike action if British Rail do not move from where they are at the moment".

The separate dispute over ER's intended closure of the transpennine Woodhead tunnel freight line escalated sharply after NUR members began to carry out the union's instrucnor to collect fares on trains between Manchester and Sheffield this week. By last night most Inter-City services between Sheffield and

ends strike

National Opera orchestra was

called off yesterday before a

performance had been halted. The management withdrew dis-

missal notices for five musicians whose playing was

thought no longer to reach a

The management, faced with a strike it could not afford, agreed, with some regret, to withdraw the notices as long as

it could approach the five wind

sation and guaranteed casual

work in future.
The compromise was agreed

after talks lasting several days between Lord Goodman, chair-

man of ENO, and Mr John

Morton, general secretary of the Musicians' Union, It was

accepted almost unanimously by the orchestra yesterday.

unhappy ther, having followed

the correct procedures for dis-

missals, it was prevented by the union from carrying them

Mr Richard Mantle, ENO

personnel director, said yester-day: "It must be our right to

terminate the contracts

Manx hopes of

birch are dashed

The Isle of Man's hopes of bringing back the birch, banned by the European Court of Human Rights in 1978, have been dashed. Typwald, the

Manx parliament, had hopes to get round the ban by introduc-ing its own Bill of human

But now that the Bill has hean published, after more than a year of talks with the Home

Office, Manx government offi-cials are having to admit that

it will not restore birching.

The situation has led to an

accusation that the Manx public has been misled, and a clash is expected when the Bill is discussed by Tynwald members next month.

bers next month.

The member in charge, Mr
Clifford Irving IIndependent,
East Douglast, who is leader
of the Manx Cabinet, the executive council, said that if an
exemption for hirching had
been attempted the Bill would
not have received Royal Assent.
Constituency meetings on the

Constituency meetings on the matter are to be held by Mr Roger Watterson (Independent, Middle). This is not the Bill envisaged by Tynwald, he

From Our Correspondent

be un to standard."

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The ENO

sufficiently high standard.

London, with services between Sheffield and New Mills in Derbyshire, had been cancelled About 80 Sheffield-based guards came out on strike when one of their colleagues was sent home for refusing to collect fares on the 5.40 am Sheffield

to New Mills pay train.

After a similar suspension of booking clerk at Marple station, east of Manchester, at midday, signal box sraff near by struck, halting busy eastbound commuter services to New Mills, and to Glossop and Hadfield. ·Last night British Rail said

that the services were likely to be cancelled again today. About sixty staff at the Manchester end of the line had been suspended by the end of the day. British Rail, which is closing the 42-mile Woodhead tunnel line to save £2.5m a year, argues that it is no longer needed. The NUR fears that passenger

services might eventually be With losses of up to £80m expected for 1980, British Rail has been reminding union leaders that Cabinet ministers are discussing BRs recent claim for a £5,670m increase in in-vestment over the next nine

Mr Clifford Rose, BR's director of industrial relations, said he hoped industrial action would not be considered, because it was entirely counter-productive.

Compromise | Fleet Street

The housing executive has put a compulsory purchase order on it and the Fitts have to pay rent. Perhaps it will be redeveloped, perhaps hot, but they are staying.

Mrs Fitt is something of a legend in Belfast. She has brought up five: daughters; four are in England, soon the fifth will be away to university in Londom, if the A level results are good enough.

"What happens" she ex-"What happens", she explained, "is that the mothers go to bingo at night, the fathers go to the club, and the children come and stone us. Most times it's fun for the children, but at times of high emotion they really mean it." members working on national

. The election to the Commons of Mr Robert Sands, the Pro-visional IRA hunger-striker, lest Friday was such a time.

Wife defies

mob attacks

on fortified

From Christopher Thomas

Mrs Ann Fitt slotted two

heavy iron bars across the inside of the front door and cetrested into the living room,

Every day ber old terrace house in north Belfast is bom-

barded by bottles, bricks or abuose. The heavy front door,

covered on the inside by bullet-

proof plastic, is pockmarked and gouged from the brickbats

that rain on it most nights.
And yet the wife of Mr Gerard Fitt, Independent MP for West Bellast, amiles de-

fiantly: "They will not drive

me out. I cannot really explain

why; perhaps it is something to do with having a duty to

people".
The relephone rings incessantly. In the hall there is a

pile of cards with the number written on by hand, and there cannot be a street, in west br north Belfast, whether Protestant or Roman Catholic, where somebourged ones not have Mr

A camera surveys you from high above the front door as you ring the bell. There is an intercome designed your identity, but it looks decidedly out of order. Wire stratches access the subscrabble

stretches across the vulnerable

The housing executive has

Firt's number.

home

resistant windows.



Mrs Ann Fitt yesterday: "They won't drive me out".

They came with an impromptu band, banging, blowing ham-mering at the door until 3 the next morning, all because Mr Fitt is outspoken against the

would not say much for "I would not say much for their musical talent, but they sure could toss a brick", she chuckled. The bombardment went on for 10 hours. Mr Fitt was in London and the police did what they could. But the fires were burning all over north and west Belfast as Roman Catholics rejected.

dispute is settled But Mrs Fitt is not one to fuss too much, as long as nobody breaks into the house. In 1976 they did. The battered front door lay splintered on the By Our Diplomatic, Correspondent
The long dispute between
Britain and the Banaban
islanders, over compensation
for damage done by phosphate
mining to their Pacific island
homeland, was brought to an hall as a gang burst in to be greeted by her husband, waving a pistol ar them from the top

the stairs.
"Jesus, I was frightened" said Mrs Fitt, who is recovering from a broken leg after a fall at home. "That was a night all right," She hobbled back to her chair and chuckled again.

Mini Metro gets safety award

winner of the Don Safety Trophy, the leading British road safety award. It was judged superior in several aspects to

circuit braking system and a degree of protection to occu-pants, in both front and side impacts, going beyond the requirements of legislation. Mr

By Our Motoring Correspondent The BL Metro is the 1980

The judges praised the Metro for its outstanding handling qualities, all-round vision, dual

Reagan campaign aide Mexico and denies political aim in Khmer Rouge visit sympathy. Dr Cline believes that

Washington, April 13

Dr Ray Cline, who was an adviser on foreign policy to Mr George Bush and then to Mr Ronald Reagan during last Ronald Reagan during last year's election campaign, crossed the Cambodian frontier from Thailand last November and visited a refugee camp directed by Mrs Ieng Thirith, wife of the Khmer Rouge leader, Mr Ieng Sary.

He said here this afternoon that he told Mrs lieng that he was interested in the refugee question only, that he did not represent President-elect Reagan and that she must not draw false conclusions from his presence.

In Cairo today Mr leng Sary, Deputy Prime Minister of the Khmer Rouge: Democratic Kampuchea , told a press con-ference that Dr Cline had visited his group on a mission of information (Agence France-Presse reports). He denied that the Khmer Rouge were getting any military assistance from Washington but appressed home Washington but expressed hope that the Reagan Administra-tion would eventually take tion would eventually take steps to support the move-

ment]. Dr Cline said the camp's population was almost entirely population was almost entrely women and children. Mrs leng welcomed him and expressed delight in this apparent expres-sion of American interest and

Banaban Island

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amicable conclusion yesterday,

with the banding over of a

Correspondent

(about £5m).

the whole episode may have been designed by the Khmer Rouge and Chinese to be used as a propaganda demonstration of American support for the Pol Pot regime, which China

supports. Sihanouk links: Mr Sary said at the press conference that the Khmer Rouge was coming to closer political agreement with the self-exiled Prince Noradom Sihanouk and hoped that he would soon lead a united resistance movement against the Vietnamese invaders (Our Cairo

Correspondent reports). Prince Sibanouk, who is in Pyongyang, North Korea, has not yet revealed all his ferms for accepting the leadership.

But Mr Sary said four of the five conditions already set by the prince had been agreed, and the fifth was being considered.

Mr leng Sary listed the agreed conditions as: changing the country's name from Demo-cratic Kampuchea to Kampu-chea; charging the flag and national anthem; the prince's right to form his own armed forces; and the establishment of a parliamentary system after the withdrawal of Victnamesc troops.

The fifth condition, he said was that after Vietnamese with drawal the entire resistance movement would be disarmed

Australian given 30 months for raping wife From 'Out Correspondent

Melbourge, April 13' Melbourne; April 13

A man was sentenced in the Melbourne county court tooky to two and a half years jail for raping his wife. He was also sentenced to 12 months for assault, occasioning her actual bodily harm. The judge ordered the sentences to be served incurrently, with a minimum of 18 months before being eligible for parole.

cheque for Australian \$10m Mr Peter Blaker, Minister of for parele. The jury of nine men and three women on Friday found the husband, who is 25, guilty

State at the Foreign Office, made the payment, on behalf of the governments of Britain, Australia and New Zealand, to the Chairman of the Council of Leaders of the Fijian island of Rabi, where the Banabans of rape, with mitigating cirping-stances, and of assault. The husband had pleaded not guity. Settlement of the dispute represents a notable success for the Banabans, who fought a long battle for compensation, aided by British MPs, who took up their cause.

The offences occurred in March last year in a flat there the wife was living with their child after a separation order, two months before. Sha had family court orders restraining her history

wounded President. But in the light of subsequent comments. is being seen now as "I'm concerned because in was unexpected, because it was absurd and monstrous and because we have said-and now it has been proved that violance only aggravates prob-Last Monday Señor López Portillo hosted a banquet for the visiting President Luis

fall out over

El Salvador

From Stephen Downer Mexico City, April 13 Almost two months into the

Ronald Reagan presidency, pre-dictions that the chief executive

would not see eye to eye with President Jose Lopez Portillo

of Mexico on foreign policy are

being proved correct.
Senor Lopez Portillo, in

series of statements over the

past swd weeks, has criticized

the Reagan Administration's policies in El Salvador, not to

mention that of the Kremlin in

On the day of the assassina-tion attempt against Mr Reagan, President Lopez Portillo way asked to comment on the inci-

dent. His reply was couched in diplomatic terms and expres-

sions of sympathy for the

Herrera Campins of Venezuela, He seized the opportunity to chastisé power blocks led by the Soviet Union and the United States, for their involvein Poland and Salvador.

Mexico, he said, rejected "the block policy and any type of intervention, wherever it is practised and whichever coun-

Washington has sent about 50 military advisers to El Salva-dor to train the Salvadoran Army, which is fighting leftwing guerrillas and extremists from the right. The Reagan resumed shipments of military hardware to El Salvador.

The next day President Loosz Portillo made another speech in the presence of Senor Her-rera, in which he condemned actions in Central America and the Caribbean "which have no more imagination than war weapons, violence, blackmail and abuse ".

An alternative to violence and foreign intervention, he said, was the continued supply of cetroleum from Mexico and Central America and the Car-

The two sell 160,000 barrels to the region every day on easy credit terms under an agreement signed in San Jose, Costa Rica, on August 7, 1980.

Six Basques begin hunger strike in a cathedral

From Charles Hargrove

Paris, April 13

Six young Basque militants from Bayonne have been on a hunger strike in Bourges cathedral since Friday to protest against the transfer to Paces of

They have installed themselves in the apse, with sleep-ing bags and bottles of water. A Bourges doctor is with them. When they were asked why they had picked on Bourges for their demonstration, they replied: "Bourges is in the centre of France." The choice of the town was symbolic.

The presence of the hunger strikers has not interfered with services in the cathedral. Worshippers did not express only indifference towards them. Mgr Vignancourt, the Arch-bishop of Bourges, who came to see the strikers on Friday, has made it known that he can-

"The cathedral is a place of prayer and worship, and silence and calm must be respected. So far, the young mer have observed this. As far as I am concerned there has never been any question of their expulsion

But he did object to their 2,500 to 3,000 people attending religious concert in the cathedral last night. Arrangements were made by sympathizers for them to do this in a tent out-side, after which they returned to the cathedral to resume their hunger strike.

The six French Basques transferred to Paris for trial are members of the left-wing Basque movement Abertzales.
They are all aged between 22 and 25, and are accused of hav-ing carried out 11 bomb attacks ing carried out 11 bomb attacks against public buildings and private property in the western Pyrenees between June 1978 and September 1979, which caused extensive damage but no loss of life.

Japan questions **US** version of sea disaster

Tokyo, April 13.—Mr Mike Mansfield, the American Ambassador to Japan, said today that a navy investigator had arrived in Tokyo to interview the 13 survivors of the Japanesa cargo ship that sank after col-liding with a United States nuclear submarine.

Mr. Masayoshi Ito, the liament today that he was not convinced by American explanations that poor visibility prevented the submarine and a inited States Navy aircraft from extending rescue assistance.

'Mr Mansfield told reporters that the incident on Thursday was the trost distressing of his four years in Tokyo.

Some Japanese officials have accused the American sub-marine of abandoning the sur-

Mr Mansfield said Captain Willis Rich had arrived from Seventh Fleet headquarters at to see the etrikers on Friday, has made it known that he cannot intervene as the cathedral is a public building.

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A tale of two candidates with much in common but a difference in style

By Peter Strafford

Is France on the brink of collapse, or is it in the fore-front of progress and an example to its neighbours? Both views can be heard as the French presidential election gathers steam depending on whether one listens to President Giscard d'Estaing, who talks of French successes, or to one of his opponents.

M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist candidate, is one of those who talk as though disaster was imminent. He was himself Prime Minister until 1976, when he broke with the President, whom he now accuses of presiding over a drastic weakening of France's position, both internally and in its relations. internally and in its relations with other countries.

By contrast, M Giscard d'Estaing points to the indus-trial achievements of the last few years, and produces a list of sectors in which France is ahead of its competitors in other European countries. He accuses his rivals of demoralizing the country by their criticisms of its performance.

The two men have a great the two men have a great deal in common. Both are articulate products of the french educational system, both have made their political careers under the Fifth Republic, and both are extremely ambitious. But their temperaments are

porters. A rew nights ago at a rally in Lyon he was cheered listent with long lists of a rally in Dijon last time and time again as he statist denounced the damaging effects and denounced the damaging effects are too, is running a very raising his voice only of unemployment in France and professional campaign, and tain key passages.



M Crac's supporters are people to want to protest—Gaullish who are disenchanted with M discard d'Estaing, small busines nen, professionals and farmer he knows what they want to hear, and they cheer him wan he says it.

under the Fifth Republic, and both are extremely ambitious. But their temperaments are very different, and their differences are reflected in their personal styles.

M Chirac is a compelling speaker who electrifies his supporters. A few nights ago at a rally in Lyon he was cheered in the results of the re

when he was in Montpellicr recently he was received enthusiastically. The hall where he spoke was packed with sup-porters; and he himself was apparently aware of the triticisms that have been made because he spoke forcefully and ogently.

and technological progress-Then came M Giscard d'Estaing himself with a fighting speech in which he castigated his opponents and defended his own policies.

A Communist rally is dif-Marchais, the party's candidate, is not likely to round of the elections, but he wants to make sure that no one ignores the party's power. So last weekend he organized a huge rally at an outdoor stadium in Marseilles, a Socialist stronghold, to show what

stadium en masse, marching along the boulevard which led to it with red banners, red scarves and red flags. The stadium itself, with a capacity of more than 40,000, was almost filled. filled.

M Mitterrand, who might well win the election, appears in his campaign style the least polished of the four main can didagen. He is a speaker than the style that the styl didates. He is a fiery speake when he chooses, but there wa something almost avuncula about him when he spoke a rally in Dijon last Sunda leaning over the pulpit an raising his voice only for ce

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FAMOUS ENGLISH SHOES

printers' by orchestra pay warning By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter The strike by the English By Paul Routledge Labour Editor The National Graphical Association, the main craft printing union, is to advise its .5,000

> newspapers in London and Manchester to reject the final" 8 per cent pay offer from the Newspaper Publishers At the same time the union is warning the NPA that it will no longer operate the disputes procedure in the industry if individual publishing companies continue to contract out of the

annual round of wage bargain-

players to seek agreement with them to give up their jobs in return for financial compen-Ballor forms will shortly be sent out to NGA members advising them to reject the offer, and some form of industrial action may ensue if the men do vote "no". Mr George Jerrom, national officer of the union, said last night: "If they follow the recommendation we will the recommendation, we will consider that to be a mandate to go back to the NPA."

Apart from the immediate pay issue, union-NPA relations are in disarray over who is in and who is out" for collective bargaining purposes. Express Newspapers, Times Newspapers, the Mirror Group and the Guardian have withdrawn from

The NGA claims that News people we do not consider to International, publishers of The Sun and News of the World, is ready to make a 10 per cept offer if national talks break

Round about the time that Prince Charles Edward Stuart stepped ashore in Scotland after a sojourn in France to raise his standard and lead the

1745 rebellion, Joseph Pease, a

Hull merchant and commodity dealer, was standing back to admire a new warehouse at the northern end of High Street,

now the oldest street in the city.

Being clearly a man of vision,

he was also probably contem-plating expansion, and indeed he did build a second warehouse

They were built as store-

houses for oilseed, the raw material from which was extracted for Hull's growing paint industry. The buildings were the work of John Smeaton, organized the buildings were the work of John Smeaton, organized the buildings were the work of John Smeaton, organized the buildings were the state of the st

sometimes referred to by his-torians as the father of civil engineering in Britain. Draw-ings of his buildings for Mr Pease are still in the Royal

Near the warehouses he built a mill for processing the oilseed,

an operation that involved what tion of steam to that kind of

industrial process.

It was about that time that

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St James,

Northampton, NN5 5JB.

Society archives.

next door 15 years later.

Cornish farm isolated after signs of foot-and-mouth

By Hugh Clayton Agriculture Correspondent Government scientists ordered five-mile cordons round two Cornish cattle farms yesterday because of suspected foot-and-mouth disease, but last night restrictions round one farm, near St Ives, were lifted after tests proved negative.

Samples from animals on the other farm, at Kea, near Truro, were being analyzed at the Animal Virus Research Institute at Pirbright, Surrey, and the results should be known today.

The farm is about 200 miles

from the sites of recent footand-mouth cases in Brittany and the Isle of Wight. Mr Robert Few, the Isle of Wight farmer who lost 166 cattle stricti in the first case of foot-and-night.

a big commercial boom for Hull started. It lasted through-

out the nineteenth century.

It was a time when men of initiative and enterprise such as Joseph Pease were becoming

as Joseph Pease were becoming a power in the land.

His descendants were Quakers who, like so many religious, dissenters, had fled the country in the six feenth tentury, the family eventually returning in more tolerant times to allow Joseph to become a wealthy and powerful businessman.

The two Pease warehouses

are the only surviving monu-ments to his success and today even they have changed shape. The buildings had stood derelict for many years and were in a fairly poor condition, notwithstanding their immense

mouth in Britain for 13 years, visited the mainland yesterday under government licence.

The Government announced yesterday that it had paid [59],414 in compensation to far-

mers whose animals had been slaughtered in the campaign to prevent foot-and-mouth spread-ing from Mr Few's farm. The money was paid at average rates of just over £295 a cow and £44 a pig for a total of 623 animals. All restrictions on the movement of animals and farmers in Hampshire and the Isle of

Wight have ceased except on three farms on the island where animals have been buried to prevent the disease from spreading. The last mainland restrictions were removed last

Agreement was reached and today is the opening of the first phase of the conversion scheme. It comprises 15 flats,

of one or two bedrooms, for lease or sale. The second phase,

ings Council has made a grant of -573,000 towards the total cost of the project. Mrs Jennifer Jenkins, chairman of the Historic Buildings Council, and

wife of Mr Roy Jenkins the politician, will perform the opening ceremony for the first flats today.

The first occupants will have a view of a busy barge and lighter harbour from their new

homes on the west side of the

many larger and heavier cars which are inherently less vulnerable in an accident."

Harold Musgrove, managing director of Austin Morris, received the trophy in London vesterday from Mr Stirling Moss, the former racing driver.

Warehouse flats' historical background

Regional report

Ben Hooson, a builder and developer, approached Hull City Council into whose ownership the warehouses had passed, with a suggestion that they should be converted into flats.

Agreement was reached and today is the should be converted and today is the same reached and today is the should be converted into flats. 1778, was converted to Queen's Gardens some years ago, but

since then up to £20m is being spent, or is planned to be spent, on bringing back life to Old Town. Museums are being expanded, a new crown court is to come, and bars and restau-

lease or sale. The second phase, to be opened later in the year, is of 80 flats, and a third phase, probably 30 flats, still at the planning stage, will be accommodated in a warehouse next door to the Pease buildings.

The first two phases will cost [700,000] (the first phase, 235,000) and the Historic Buildings Council his made a grant rants are being opened in former commercial premises. The waterfront hotel and club is an example of the conversion of three nineteenthcentury grain warehouses, a project that has won several conservation awards, including the Europa Nostra award.

Another big scheme, on which £2m of preparatory work has started, is the conversion of the Old Town Docks into a marina. The city council expects to have a commercial partner in that project by late summer, with a view to open-ing the marina in early 1983.

WRAC college to be merged | Acquittal of last four Bristol sudden change." The girl cadets will travel by bus for their joint session at Sandhurst from their own building which has been occupied by the corps for its traince officers since 1965.

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

The Army will take another pace towards integration of the sexes on May I, when the Women's Royal Army Corps College is to be officially merged with the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

There is close liaison, official and unofficial between the two

and unofficial, between the two institutions, which are only just over a mile apart at Cam-

berley, Surrey.

Now the Army's man and woman officer cadets are to join for 100 sessions during each course, for instruction in subjects such as Army organization, military tactics, law and administration. But drill and weapon training will not be included for the time being.

A WRAC officer said. The Royal Military Academy, which is among the world's most celebrated training establishments, consists of three colleges, known as Old, New and Victory. The WRAC College will in effect become the fourth, retaining its title.

Part of the college where woman NCOs and Territorial Army officers attend courses will remain separate from the RMAS.

found new permanent accommodation on the Sandhurst campus. "We would never be able to cope with all the recruits", a WRAC officer said.

The Royal Military Academy, which is among the world's most

There is no suggestion that the WRAC cadets should be

Husband on murder charge

Ulf Hinsch, aged 42, husband of Frau Jeanette Maria Hinsch,

Mr Hinsch, a. company director, of Orion Way, Brainor reau jeanette maria ministi, unector, or trion way, Brainaged 28, whose body was found tree, Essex, appeared in five and a half years ago on the Basingstoke Magistrates? Court edge of Watership Down, was handcuffed to a police officer. accused vesterday of her he was remanded in custody until next Tuesday.

trial defendants

The four remaining defendants in the St Paul's riot trial were formally acquitted when they appeared at Bristol Crown Court yesterday. The hearing lasted about five

The hearing lasted about five minutes. Mr Justice Bingham directed a verdict of not guilty to be entered on Paul Binns, aged 18, and Andrew Minter, aged 17, both of Ashley Road, St Paul's, Doretta Dolores Maye, aged 25, of Princess Street, Bedminster, and Carlton Canute Sharp, aged 17, of Argyle Road. St Paul's, all Bristol.

A jury had failed to reach a verdict on the four after a seven-week trial which ended on March 20. Eight other defen-dants were cleared. All 12 defendants had pleaded not guilty to riotous assembly after disturbances after a police raid on a café in Grosvenor Road, Sr Paul's, on April 2 last year, Miss Maye alone was further charged with maliciously wounding a police constable.

Yesterday Mr John Spokes, QC, for the Crown, said: " After careful consideration the prose-cution has decided it would not be in the public interest to pro-ceed to a further trial."

Election

criticized the present Govern-ment for weakness in its deal-ings both with other members of the European Community of the Encopean Community and with the Soviet Union.

He has been taking his message round France in an active and well-organized campaign, planned in American lines. At a big ralls like the one in Lyon there are posters proclaiming "Chirac Mow", coloured balloons, are banners carried by supported with the names of the region they come from.

The evening began with an elaborate slide show, accompanied by music, which illustrated the crisis points round the world and went on to pre-sent France as an oasis of calm

he could do. Party members arrived at the

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Leaders of

Spain able

abroad

to take trips

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, April 13
Both King Juan Carlos and
Schor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo,
the Prime Minister, will
resume their normal schedules
of visits abroad this month,
apparently confident that there

is no danger of a repetition of last February's attempted coup during their absences.

Señor Calvo Sotelo will pay a two-day official visit to West

Germany beginning April 23, a date which may have been

chosen on purpose since it comes exactly two months from the day on which rebel Civil Guard forces took the

Government and the lower house of the Spanish Parlia-

ment as hostages. The king will fly to Rome for a three-day official visit on April 28.

Lieutenant-General José Gab-

eiras Montero, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will re-turn from a trip to the United States next Wednesday, He left for Washington just before

the arrival here last Wednes-day of Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State.

Officials at the Defence Min-

istry were explained that General Gabeirus's trip to the United States was scheduled long in advance, before the dates of Mr Haig's 18-hour like to Spain were known.

While the journeys abroad of these three key figures are

not concurrent, they are signifi-cant, since it is the first time

each of them has left the country since the abortive up-rising.

The Prime Ministers's objective in Bonn, according to reliable sources in Madrid, is to convince the West German Government that there is no danger of a new coup and to seek German support for an acceleration of Spain's entry into the EEC.

Repercussions of the unsuc-

cessful uprising are still being felt. An Army major in the Spanish coastal enclave of Ceuta in North Africa was placed under arrest for two

visit to Spain were known.

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Control of Socialists

Description April 13.—The Parameter Socialist leader Dresiderio Soares, tonight claimed in parameters in retaining control of the supposition force.

The former prime miles

The former prime minister his julled a news conference after a party congress next month indicated he would have the support of more than 70 per all rem of the delegates.

His opponents had proposed keeping him as party secretary. general because of his pressing ameral because of his pressing inside and outside the county.

But they blamed him for losing two general elections and wanted to strip him of most of his power.

Dr Soares said his victory meant there would be a clerification of party policy which
would exclude cooperation
with the pro-Moscow Portuguese Communist Party.
He said the party's main aim would be to recapture moderate

voters lost to the right over th; past five years.
The Communist Party had openly supported the opponent. of Dr Soares, who included more than half the 66 Socialist Members of Parliament.

The outcome of the power struggle within the Socialist Party is of vital importance for the ruling Democratic Alliance. The Social Democratic Party of man, the Prime Minister, has the Moroccan regime. But he run joint lists with the Social- proposal. ists in next year's local elec-

Some left-wing opponents of Dr Soares in the party accuse him of planning to help the Democratic Alliance push through constitutional changes in exchange for the support of the right in the 1985 presidential elections .- Reuter.

Col Gaddafi proposes Mauritania merger with Sahara Republic

The radio said Colonel Gaddafi, who has troups in Chad and has been accused of wanting to lead a giant tropo-Soharan federation, had called for a "proclamation of union between Mauritania and the Scharan Republic".

The Polisario is fighting against Moruccu to set up of Saharan Arah Democratic Republic in the Western Sahara a former Spanish colony unnexed by Morocco and Mauritania when Spain pulled

But after a military comp in its capital in 1978. Mauritanity made peace with the Polisario in 1979 and withdrew from its partion of the teritory, which Maracco then occupied at well.

The radio quotes Mr Ould Breijara as saying on leaving Tripoli that Colonel Gaddafi had promised him support to

Gaddafi had also suggested the formation of a pact with Libya, Algeria, Mauritanis and the Saharan Republic as members, the radio added. But the nature of this pact was not made clear. The

Paris, April 13.—Colonol Algeria, Syria, South Yemen Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, proposed today that Mauritania organization—of which Tripoli is at present chairman.

Pront guerrillas, according to Libyan radio monitored here. He made proposal to Mr Sidi Ahmed Ould lineijara, the Mauritanian Prime Minister, who ended a three-day visit to Libya today. Also at the meeting was Mr Muhammad Ahdelaziz, Secretary General of Polisario,

Polisario,

Jumblatt's movement, Mauri-tanian and the Saharan Republic to juin the Steadfastness Front, the Libyan radio added. lle also called for the "expul-sion of the Sudanese regime from the Arab League and the Islamic Conference Organiza-tion" for having "recognized the Egyptian regime and thus

the Zionist enemy". Colonel Gaddafi's 12-year rule in Lihya has been marked by several attempts at political unity with other Arab and African states, including Syria and Chad in the past year. None of the attempts has thus far horne fruit.

Mission to Morocco: The two

Mission to Morocco: The two leading officials of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) arrived here today for talks with King Hassan II on the Western Sahara conflict.

President Siaka Stevens of Sierra Leone, the OAU chairman, and the organization's secretary-general, Mr Edem Kodjo, are to present the King with the official text of recommendations made last September by the OAU special committee on the Western Sahara.

These called for a ceasefire

These called for a ceasefire in the conflict by December, 1980—which did not take place -and an OAU-United Nations tolonel made his proposal in referendum allowing the Sabathe rame of the Steadfastness ran people to decide their front—other members are future.—Agence France-Presse.

Tiniest of space shuttle defects will be spotted

Science Editor

A new network of optical tracking stations for taking photographs of spacecraft being introduced by the United States Department of Defence is being used to examine the heat shield on the belly of the Columbia space shuttle.

These instruments, operated y the North American Air efence Command (Norad). by the Defence can see objects smaller than two square inches in orbits which are further from earth than the shuttle's.

Provided the clouds, which hampered photography earlier yesterday, clear away this equipment has the capability for seeing any gap in the mosaic of special six-luch square tiles forming the heat shield on Columbia, An elaborate the state of the state of the seeing are the same of the seeing the heat shield on Columbia, An elaborate of the seeing the same of the seeing the rate web of radar and optical stations will carry out surveil-lance. It includes a number of

instrument.

The hear shield of the shuttle has caused severe difficulties and it has been one of the major causes of the three-year delay in getting the vehicle into orbit. The special ceramic material used for the shield is made from a high purity silica glass that is pro-cessed to create a light substance resembling styrofoam.

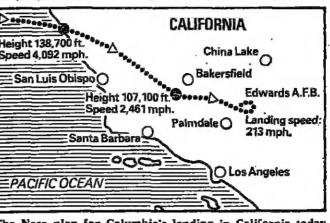
Any of the tiles can be heated to a bright red on one surface while remaining cold on the

opposite side. . Unlike the thermal protection plate on the previous pear-shaped manned space capsules which burnt away as the craft re-entered the atmosphere, the heat shield on the shuttle must stay intact for reuse. Yer some parts of the Columbia, particu-

stress is expected from sunor components of this unusual jig-hot spots, such as on the leading saw vary in size and density

installations which each have up to 1600 degrees centigrade edge of the wing, are reingued telescopes and a 15 inch inch telescope and teles 16,820 miles per hour. is specially designed for its.

The portions on which extra position on the orbiter and the



larly the belly and nose, may be exposed to temperatures of The Nasa plan for Columbia's landing in California today.

Albanian rebuff enrages Belgrade

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, April 13

Relations between Yugoslavia and Albania which have been improving steadily for a number of years are now being tested following the nationalist riots in the predominantly Albanian Kosovo autonomous region of Yugoslavia.

In an officially-inspired comment in the Albanian Commumist Party newspaper the Gov-ernment in Tirana explicitly supported the demands of the demonstrators for the region's transformation into a fullyfledged republic.
The Yugoslavs considered

this amounted to a blatant interference in their internal affairs and, in the view of a high-ranking Albanian official of the region, it was a call to mutiny, and an invitation to the Albanian government was hegemonistic forces" to med-not behind the demonstrations. mutiny, and an invitation to dle in Yugoslay's affairs.

leader, Mr Enver Hoxha and has to the effect that Yugoslavia's force.

the weight of an official government statement, described the demonstrators' demands for a change in the status of the

region as "legitimate". It added that the ethnic Albanians, who number two milthe right to "free themselves from the tutelage of Serbia". and he granted the status of one of Yugoslavia's constituent re-

The Albanian paper accused the Yugoslav authorities of attacking with tunks. It said the Yugoslav authorities reacted with " ac-

treme brutality ". The attack from Tirana bas provoked serious anger here where politicians had empha-sized earlier their belief that Last week Mr Stane Dolanc, The Albanian newspaper com- a member of the Praesidium, ment, which is clearly express went out of his way to quote

independence and territorial integrity were in the interests of Albania.

For a number of years and

as recently as a year ago Mr Hoxha has repeatedly pledged Albania's readiness to "fight together" with Yugoslavia against anyone who might endanger Yugoslavia's independence.

Mr Dolanc recalled this to emphasize the two countries' interdependence. He said any threat to Yugoslavia including the riots in Kosovo, would be damaging to Albania.

Schools reopen: Yugoslav offi-cials said elementary school classes in Kosoyo had reopened today after being closed since the disturbances. High school and university classes were expected to resume later. Many of the rioters were said to have been students (AP reports from Belgrade).

Last week, authorities lifted a nightime curfew but a ban on public gatherings is still in

Italian fascist law used in pilot dispute From John Earle

Rome, April 13
Signor Salvatore Formica, the Minister of Transport, and a Socialist, today invoked a Fascist law of 1934 to order 300 Alitalia pilors not to join a week-long Easter strike starting tomorrow. This should enable, the national airline to maintain between 40 and 50 per

cent
Captain Adalberto Pellegrini,
president of ANPAC, the
Pilots Association, recommended members to comply with the order, but said the association would seek a court

President Reagan stays out of public eye

Washington, April 13.—
President Ronald Reagan, out
of the hospital but under
doctor's orders not to work in
the Oval Office yet, is staying
upstairs in the White House
with no immediate plans for
public appearances while he
builds up bis strength. Today
he met his three chief assistants
and received a written national and received a written national security briefing. Mr Larry Speekes, the deputy White House press secretary, said. He also had separate meetings

with Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, and Mr Caspar Weinberger, Defence Secretary, to hear reports on meetings took place in the UPI.

living quarters on the second

Mr Speakes said the President was not likely to make a radio speech on his economic proposals this week but might do so later.

As he recuperates at home from the bullet wound in his left lung Mr Reagan also may

telephone members of Congress for a progress report on how his economic plan is faring. Dr Daniel Ruge, the Presi-dent's personal physician, said Mr Reagan was "up and about" this morning "and he is doing extremely well". He added: "He has been reading

her money in Miami robbery

old British woman who had saved for years for a Florida boliday was knocked down and robbed of \$1,636 (about £740) last night two hours after arriving from England.

daughter, Sheila Ann Boyd, left their hotel lift two youths knocked down Mrs Roberts and escaped with her purse, which contained her money and a prescription for her heart condition. She was not injured.

Briton loses all

piaced under arrest for two weeks, according to the Madrid daily Diario-16, for writing an essay published by a Ceuta newspaper. In the essay he objected to a Catalan politician in comparison of Lieutenant-Colonel Antonio Tejero, the officer who led the attack on the Parliament seven weeks are with Pancho Villa. Miami, April 13 .- A 761year-

As Mrs Claro Roberts and her

Tension between right and Tension between right and left continues. A judge in the north-central city of Saragossa, Señor Julio Boned Sopena, ordered 11 lawyers to stand trial on charges of coercion and contempt of court after the accused the judge in writing of being tougher on left-wing offenders than on right-wingers.

On April 4 a family from robbed in Miami.-UPI.

Cholera kills 14

ago, with Pancho Villa.

Jakaria, April 13.-Fourteen people were reported dead and about 100 others were in hospital after a cholera outbreak in Bandung, western Java, the Antara news agency said.

Ministers meet to avert Canadian energy war

From John Best Ottawa, April 13

ministers met in Winnipeg today in an attempt to stop an cuergy war developing.

The meeting between Mr Marc Lalonde, the Canadian Energy Minister, and Mr Merv Leitch, his Alberta counterpart, represents the first major effort at negotiations since Alberta between the control of th began cutting its oil production six weeks ago.

That action resulted from the Federal Government's national energy programme (NEP), announced last autumn, which imposed substantial federal taxes on the oil and gas industry. About 85 per cent of all Canada's oil and gas comes from Alberta.

The programme not only im-noted new taxes, boosting the noted new taxes, boosting the and laying the groundwork for a negotiated settlement. the industry, but it failed to give Alberta what the province felt entitled to in the way of all price increases.

The present federally-control-led Canadian price is \$17.75 (about £7) a barrel, less than half the world price. Under the

The Federal Government keeps the Canadian price arti-Federal and Alberta cabinet ficially low to give industry a competitive edge in world markets and also to help control inflation.

Alberta feels it is being cheated in the interests of oil consuming manufacturing plants principally located in Ontario, its response six weeks ago was to cut oil production by 60,000 harrels a day. Two other 60,000 harrel reductions are scheduled for June 1 and September 1 giving a total reduction of 180,000 barrels a day or about 15 per cent.

Today's meeting on "neutral ground in Winnipeg, which is in the province of Manitoba, was essentially exploratory aimed at establishing a dialogue

a negotiated settlement.

Before going in to the meeting Mr Lalonde told reporters not to expect an: "big news" but said he hoped agreement could be reached at surure meetings—possibly involving. Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Prime Minister. and Mr Peter Lougheed, the Alberta Premier.

Today's meeting was scheduled to last one day bur could continue longer.

Grenada accuses US of fixing five-nation boycott

From Michael Hornsby

Brussels, April 13 Grenada, the tiny island state in the Caribbean, today stepped up its criticism of alleged American interference in its affairs, accusing Washington of an "unsightly, unseemly and vulgar" attempt "to crush and squeeze " its economic develop-ment at birth.

The broadside was delivered by Mr Bernard Coard, Grenada's Deputy Prime Minister, who is in Brussels for a two-day meeting of donor countries interested in helping to finance the building of a new inter-national airport in Grenada. The meeting opens tomorrow.

Five EEC countries—West
Germany, France, Italy, Belgium. and Holland-were invited to attend, but they declined to come, arguing that they would be adequately represented by the European Commission:

It is no secret in diplomatic circles that the United States foreign policy in Europe, he has made known to European added.

stop for the transport of Cuban troops to Africa.

Mr Coard told a press conference bere that his govern-ment was "very disturbed by the very open and very vulgar-attempt by the United States" to dissuade EEC countries from

providing financial help.
He accused the Americans
of "gross interference" in
Grenada's internal affairs and its relationship with the EEC, which is governed by the Lome Convention. "We believe that their behaviour raises a serious question about whether the EEC countries are going to allow their foreign policy to be dictated by the United States, he declared.

The test, he said, would be the response of EEC member states to the report they would receive from the European Commission on this week's fund-raising meeting. This will show who determines

has made known to European added. Some should refrain from giving aid to the airport project. The Americans dislike the left-tans as "nothing but a load of hogwash". It would not be a close relations with Cuba, They have suggested that the airport used for military purposes.



energy programme this will rise to \$31 a barrel in 1984 but Alberta maintains that the increase should be greater. Comoros fall prey to isolation complex From Marie-Thérèse Delboulbes of Agence France-Presse Moroni, Comoros, April 13 Unloved and unsung, ignored by the supertankers that pass on by, an out of the mainstream of the tourist trade of other Indian Ocean isles, the Comoros are falling prey to an isolation complex. The balmy scent of the ylang ylang blossom in the evening air, the cotonut palms arching fanguidly over the little creeks, their blue-green water contrasting with the black lava from the mist-wreathed Kartala voltage. During the intervening years, During the provident and unorganized. Commran exiles in Kenya, Commran exiles in Kenya,

their blue green water contrast-ing with the black lava from the mist-wreathed Kartala vol-cuno, make the Comoros a holi-

burnt.
Today the traditional leaders as that of the dormant volcano, still fear the young who, having which erupted in 1977. tasted power and forgation the extremes of the Soleih regime, remember only its positive aspects, according to one foreign pational

appears almost monthly.

During the intervening years, a revolution upser the archipeligo's traditional Islamic society. War was declared on society. War was declared on feudal chiefs, power was put in feudal chiefs, power was put in the hands of youth continuitees, the hands of youth continuitees, the traditional veil for women the traditional veil for women was abolished, officials were was abolished, officials were dismissed and national archives

countries which do not have technical assistants to train the army," said Mr Mroudjae, who
pointed to the Cuban presence
and Soviet and East German

France remains, ho advisers in Augola or elsewhere. main aid donor to its

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archipelago lie elsewhere: in its political stagnation, in the island of Mayotte which we to remain French, in its w development and in a I rising population. Mayotte issue, an abce mayotte issue, an abceing relations with Fobe resolved. Comos
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tiation. The French The term "mertenary" upsets would like it solved time ostractized by the Organization of African Unity.

"I don't know any African international forms."

The problem, for Twenty-nine "advisers" 20 and provides about 100 of them permanent train and ment workers, teachers, presidential



day postcard dream.

But this appearance of a soft life on the four islands of Great Comoro, Anjouan, Moheli and "rebel" Mayotte, situated at the entrance to the Mozanbique channel, is as misleadin#

The Comoros have a troubled image abroad resulting from the "dark period"—the regime of Ali Soleih—and the arrival of mercenaries, who overthrew the regime on May 13, 1978. "There is a disparity between the way in which we are des-cribed abroad and the reality here," Mr Ali Mroudjae, the Foreign Minister, said.

dismissed and national archives

In February, subversive tape recordings and teaflets were seized from travellers. A namphler, The Voice of the People, appears almost monthly foreign national.

Two leading newspapers, Tryscamp, said many Poles believed to settelement of the problems some of the authorities were of dilatory and acted only under

They said that after the Sejm (Parliament) call on Friday for a two-month strike-free period, the authorities must now prove that this was not the case.

"For some time we have observed the widespread decla- thoughts tonight by calling on ration of noble intention the Government to break down coupled with universal paralysis a "wall of distrust" and make of will", the Government daily reforms without being put Zycie Warszawy said.

under pressure. (Reuter reports Zycie Warszawy said.

"The authorities object that society is insufficently disciplined . . . but society objects that the authorities are functioning sluggishly and conducting a skirt-the-issue policy", it added.

Zucie Warszany said it was time to do something about Poland's almost catastrophic economy and that the much vaunted economic reform pro-gramme had so far failed to go beyond the discussion stage.

The newspaper also indicated that responsibility for the success of the 60-day strike moratorium rested ultimately on the obility of the authorities

to act swiftly.

"No administrative barriers, even if sanctioned by the highest legal acts, will guarantee social peace. In this regard there is no substitute for wise decisions, backed by swift and effective action," it said. "Words alone are not enough." The Communist Party daily

point and said the support that General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Prime Minister, received from the Seim was to an extent dependent upon the Government tackling a host of outstanding problems.

is shown with exceptional sharp-ness in an article published in Pravda today. The report quotes allegations by Polish workers of pressure being brought on them The Seim support was linked economic reform, the by Solidarity, the independent demand for a private farmers' trade union movement. union, further democratization of life ond the resolution of all Western diplomatic sources in

Moscow see the item in the Soviet Party newspaper as sigdialogue, disputes Trybuna Ludu said. nificant evidence of Russian Wall of distrust: Mr Lech preoccupation with reformist Walesa leader of the free trends in the ruling Polish United Workers' Party as the party congress approaches in Solidarity union, echoed these July. One diplomat saw the Pravda report as a sign of shifting the focus away from Solidarity ".

from Warsaw.) Mr Oleg Losoto, the Pravdo In an interview on national correspondent, said he had talked to Mr Zdyslaw Lomowtelevision, he said Solidarity had so far achieved everything ski, first secretary of the party committee at the Warel elec-tronics plant, and other workers through confrontation. It was time the Government, not his union, took the initiative to prove its commitment political renewal.

It was alleged that when a representative of Solidarity was "If the Government gave asked about cooperation with fellow workers in the official society some of the things which are socially justified, and which are socially justified, and
even things which Solidarity
has not demanded, then people
might regain their confidence
in the authorities", he said.
Asked about the call from
the Sejm for 60 strike-free
days, Mr Walesa said Solidarity
desired a strong government.
The Government would prove
its strength when it came up union branch, he red: "We do not cotrade answered: operate and we do not need to cooperate." At the same time, the official branch was striving for cooperation. Referring to strike alerts, an-

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Moscow, April 13

other worker, who had been 22 years at the plant, said there were shortages of basic products in the shops, but he asked if strikes would make things its strength when it came up with solutions before being any better. He claimed that Solidarity was putting great psychological pressure on the

Pravda said that the Warel communists were unanimously against anything, which threat-ened the unity and solidarity of the Polish Workers' Party and

weakened its political force and ideological influence.

Some people in the party would like to use discussions to drag in views alien to a Marxist-Leninist party, hiding their apostasy with a luxuriant because of results of the second courte phrases. bouquet of pseudo-party phrases about ideological pluralism and "partnership" of different poli-tical forces, the newspaper said.

All this only played into the hands of the openly anti-socialist forces waging war on the Polish Workers' Party and its leading role in society. The its leading role in society. party had to resist any actions weakening its ranks and resolutely defend socialism.

The Pravda article came after

remarks by Mr Brezhnev, the Soviet leader, in Prague last week, which referred to the defence of socialism in Poland by Polish communists and true patriots, but which did nor mention the current party and government leadership in War-



Mr Mikhail Suslov, a member of the Soviet Politburo, addresses the East German Communist Party congress in East Berlin.

Comradely words from French and Italians

Berlin, April 13.—Italian and The Italian party was com-French Communist Party dele mitted to the view that "the gates spoke out strongly today at the East German party con-gress against outside interference in Poland's affairs.

Signor Giovanni Cervetti and M Gaston Plissonnier, senior officals in the Italian and French parties, demanded that the Warsaw leadership be left to solve Poland's difficulties Signor Cervetti said Italian Communists took "a favourable view of the present process of renewal in Poland and of the work done by the Polish comrades".

rades."

He added: "We want them to be able to solve and over-come the crisis and tensions by political means alone and with their own strength and without outside interference."

respect of independence and sovereignty of every state and of every people is an unconditional principle for any analysis of the state tional principle for every socialist force, for every pro-gressive force, and also a basic condition for the continuation of detente." M Plissonnier, a member

the French Communist Polit-buro, took a similar line. "The French Communist Party is deeply convinced it is the affair of the Polish party, the Government and the Polish people to solve their problems through the realization of economic. the realization of economic, social and democratic reforms," he said.

The French amedia bringing almost daily reports Western Europe, both con-of an impending Soviet inter-

in Poland but the French party was convinced these were part of an anticommunist propaganda campaign, he added. The Italian and French delegates were the first speakers at

the three-day-old conference to issue implicit warnings against the idea of a Soviet bloc intervention in Poland. Apart from a Bulgarian who yesterday expressed confidence in the confidence · in ship to solve the crisis other Soviet block spokesmen have made largely non-committal remarks about Poland and have made

witheld expressions of trust... The Italian and French parties, the two biggest in

1968. But the French party has made little comment on the unrest in Poland and the threat of a Soviet military move.

Senior East German com-munist officials have avoided direct references to Poland in speeches to the congress in the past two days. But Herr Econ Krenz, leader of the East German Communist youth movement, today grouped "anticommunists, revisionists and renewers as enemies of true

socialism.
"Renewers" is a term coined recently by East German ideologists as an allusion to leading Polish communist

tailed or expelled. South African newspapers circulating in the territory—such as the East Landon Daile Dispatch which was banned for a period—are finding it difficult to attract tack journalists of the required calibre to cover Transkei attract. The Bill was introduced by the T. T. Lerlaka, Minister of Marice and a former leading member of the militant Pan Africanist Congress (Pac). He officials calling for a renewed political system more open and liberal tlinn orthodox Soviet-

retoria to Reagan envoy

Dr Crocker will certainly neet Mr Pik Botha, the Foreign violster, but the Prime Ainster appears more concerned about the April 29 completed and weighed up to be south Africa and completed and weighed up to the public and in some cases the information has fieen distorted or incorrect.

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completed and weighed up thized only by South Africa and hefore the resumption of the the other independent home-United Nations Security County ands of Bophutharswana and cil debate on Namibia on April Venda.

Tunisian party picks leaders

Tunis, April 13.-A special congress of the ruling Destour Socialist Party vesterday elected a new 80-member Central Committee, in what was seen here as a vote of confi-dence in the programme of liberalization pursued by Mr Muhammad Mzali, the Prime Minister.

The new committee, from which President Habib Bourguiba will choose a Polirburo, includes the members of the Government Mr Mzali formed a bers of the former Politburg.-Agence France-Presse.

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Rudolf Hess's son denied visit to father in hospital

Berlin, April 13 .- The son of before his eighty-seventh birth-Rudolf Hess was refused permission today to visit his father in the British military hospital where he is being treated for pneumonia. A British spokesman for the four powers that the Spokesman for the man for the four powers that could not see my father".
run the Spandau war crimes Yesterday, he accused the four prison refused to give a reason

French were willing to let him in. It was the Rusians who blocked the visit, "The Soviet representative said he would have to get new instructions from Moscow", he said. He also said that the Russians took the view that

Herr Hess is allowed only one visit him on April 21, five days patrolling the area.-UPI.

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confronted with demands.

"Why do we have to force the censorship, trade union law, the farmers' union?" he

his union's demands.-Reuter.

day.
The British warden denied powers of concealing the true state of his father's health.

Herr Wolf Rüdiger Hess, Herr Ress, who was Hitler's aged 43, a Munich architect, deputy, was taken to the hospisaid the Americans, British and tal last Tuesday from the prison near by where he is serving a life term imposed by the Nuremberg International Mili-tary Tribunal in 1946. troops

Ármed British guarded the hospital because of apparent concern that neo-Nazis would try to free Herr Hess. Witnesses said they saw visit a month and that his wife, six soldiers at the main lise, has already applied to entrance and about 14 others

Neo-fascists kill Brescia bomb man in jail yard

Novara, Italy, April 13.— Erpano Buzzi, a neo-Fascist extremist condemned to life in prison for planting a bomb that killed eight people at a left wing rally in 1974, was strangled in the exercise yard of a maximum security prison

ing a bomb in a street rubbish basket during an anti-Fascist rally in the northern city of Police said Buzzi was killed

by two well-known neo-Fascists serving life sentences for the killing of a Rome judge and two policemen, respectively. Buzzi was killed in the exer-cise yard while it was being used by 11 right-wing extre-mists. The two men who con-fessed to the crime told police that Buzzi had been "conand declared themdemned" "prisoners of war".-

Coolness in Pretoria to Reagan envoy

From Our Correspondent

From Our Correspondent
Johannesburg, April 13
Dr Chester Crocker, the
Reagan Administration's Africa
expert, is due fo arrive at
Waterkloof air base, near Pretoria, tomorrow on the sixth
and possibly most vital leg of
Last week, in apparent reaching the sixth and possibly most vital leg of
Last week, in apparent reaching the sixth and possibly most vital leg of the location of the sixth and possibly most vital leg of the sixth and possibly mos his 10 nation African shuttle at approximately the same time as the space shuttle Columbia will be making its reentry into the

It is perhaps fortuitous that Columbia will be stealing whatever thunder, may attach itself o Dr Crocker's arrival in South Africa to gain support for the Reagan plan for a Namibia

scrtlement.
Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister, reacted with distinct coolness today when asked if he would meet Dr Crocker. "I do not know if there are suggestions that I meet him. And even if there were preparations being made for me to meet him I do not think this is the time and place to disclose them ", he said at a press conference.

tion to Dr Crocker's remarks in Nairobi that the United States would seek a new relationship with South Africa to lead the country "away from apartheid", the Prime Minister told an election meeting in Cape Town: "We will not allow others to prescribe to us, not today or in the future.
"The only people who will

"The only people who will decide that are the South African voters through polls and in a Parliament the South African

The South African authorities have made it clear that they regard his visit as a very low key sffair. No arrangements have been made for any press conference or briefings and in warmer approach to South fact Mr Pik Botha, without success, urged Dr Crocker to election.

Africans' concern: Dr Crocker

acknowledged at the end of his visit to Zimbabwe today that hlack leaders had expressed "some concern" to him over the new Administration Southern Africa policy (Stephen Taylor writes from Salisbury) He left for Maputo the ofternoon after meeting efficials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and a one-hour session with Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister. rime Minister.

A constant theme in the talk

so far in Kenya. Tunzania, Zambia and here, has been

May 7th, 8th, 9th, Metropole Hotel, Birmingham TALKING ABOUT PENSIONS...



THE CHANCELLOR of the Exchequer, Sir Geoffrey Howe, will be the opening speaker at the Conference on Thursday 7th May and will discuss the role played by the pension fund movement in the economy.



THE PARLIAMENTARY Under Secretary of State for Social Security, Mrs Lynda Chalker, will wind up the Conserence on Saturday 9th May and will speak on Resources in Later Life.



SIR HAROLD WILSON will be the special Junchtime guest speaker on Friday 8th May and can be expected to follow up the report by his Committee on the Functioning of Financial Institutions published last year.



THE CHAIRMAN of the Occupational Pensions Board Ford Brimelow, will speak on the Board's report on protection of Occupational Pension Rights and the expectations of those who change employment.

The National Association of Pension Funds' annual conference is wide ranging. Concurrent sessions will include a debate on the question of increases to pensions and deferred pensions in the private sector. There will be a session on pre-retirement counselling. There will be discussion on Member Participation in the running of funds; and a debate on the maintenance of the real value of pensions in retirement. Problems on investment will be considered — with sessions on the current and future role of stockbrokers and on the desirability or otherwise of the issue of index linked bonds. Leaders in the pensions movement - representing all disciplines - will take part in all these discussions. There will be a separate session on the problem of communications by and within the pensions movement led by the Director General. And, during the conference, awards will be made to those pension funds who have been most successful in communicating to their members — the Golden Pen Awards.

For registration and details please write to Heather Webster, National Association of Pension Funds, Sunley House, Bedford Park, Croydon, CR0 0XF. Telephone: 01-681 2017.

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Turks seek execution for 97 Kurd separatists

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Ankara, April 13
Prosecutors of the martial law tribunal in Di yarbakir, in south-eastern Turkey, today asked for death sentences against 97 members of the Kurdish separatist Kurdistan Liber-

ation Party.
Out of 2,331 alleged militants Out of 2,331 alleged militants of the aroup now under arrest, only 447 went on trial inday, including three former members of Parliament, one a former cabinet member, who face prison sentences for supplying moral and material support to the separatists.

In their opening statement, the two prosecutors said that the group, known as Apocu from a familiar abbreviation of the name of its leader, Mr Abdullah Ocalan, had murdered 243 people, including 30 security troops, since 1978.

They added that 27 members of the group had been killed in clashes with police in their effort to "form armed gangs in order to set up a communist state on lands which they plan-ned to separate forcefully from the sovereignty of the Turkish state ".

Minor incidents took place in the court inside the Di yarbakir garrison on this first day of the trial which was taken up with the formality of determining the prisoners' identities.

About 30 of the accused refused to identify themselves refused to identify themselves in a sign of protest against prison conditions. The judge said they could sir their views on the matter at a later stage of the trial, but the men insisted and many were removed from the court

The 207-page opening statement read in parts like a horror story. It claimed that one militant, acting on orders, killed his own mother and brother because they were against the group's activities.

group's activities.

It also alleged that militants set up "popular tribunals" and mied their "enemies" and "defectors", torturing them by giving them electric shocks, hanging them up by their feet and murilating them, alleing off noses and ears, before killing

The trial is expected to be a drawn-out affair, with new suits being filed gradually against the remaining 1,884 alleged militants under arrest.

About 1,000 more people are Adout 1,000 more people are being sought in connexion with the group's activities, includ-ing Mr Ocalan, who has always directed his followers from abroad, well-informed sources in Ankara reported.

Communist party expels its founder

From Our Own Correspondent Delhi, April 13

Mr Shripad Amrit Danse one of the founders and a former chairman of the Com-munist Party of India was expelled from the party today.
His expulsion on the unanimous vote of the executive was

inevitable outcome of his publicly expressed contempt for the leadership, his strong criticism of the party line and his support for Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister. His refusal to stop supporting Mrs Gandhi led to his removal from the party chairmanship last year. His statements

and his open identification with

a splinter group led by his laughter at last forced the Marxist Party to seek his expuition for 'anti-party activities". Mr Dange, who is 81, consider Mrs Gandhi is "a proressive bourgeois, patrioric, mti-imperialist and anti-feuial". At the same time he has complained that the Communist Party of India " has failed to dentify itself with the people's aspirations".

Pilgrims die in bus crash

tered bus carrying Hindu pil-zrims crashed and caught fire in Southern India last night, killing 46 people and injuring 19, the press trust of India said

Monday.

The bus travelling to a remote in Andhra Hindu temple in Andhra Pradesh, crashed through guard rails on a sharp curve, tumbled 20 feet into a ravine and burst into flames.—UPI.

PLO denounces Haig policy and seeks friendship of Moscow

From Tewfik Mishlawi Beirut, April 13

A leading Palestinian official has denounced America's Middle East policy, called for closer ties with the Soviet block and urged European countries to act independently from the United States in the search for peace in the Middle East.

Mr Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the political department of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), told the Palestine National Council (parliament in exile), now meeting in Damascus, that the United States had "adopted a hostile and offensive policy" in the Middle East with a view to expanding its influence and exploiting the resources of the region. Mr Farouk Kaddoumi head

A political affairs committee of the council today began its debate on Mr Kaddoumi's 100page political report, in which he discussed various aspects of PLO political activity since the last council session about two years ago. Radical Palestinian leaders, while endorsing Mr readers, while endorsing Mr Kaddoumi's report in general, are demanding "practical action" to counter Washing-ton's policies.

ton's policies.

The PLO official, who is equivalent to a Palestinian foreign minister, condemned the recent tour of the Middle East by Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State, and rejected Mr Haig's emphasis on the Soviet Union as the source of danger to as the source of danger to Middle East security.

Mr Kaddoumi accused the jections to the Secretary of State of seeking to vanced American establish "military blocks and Saudis.—Reuter.

aggressive bases to confront any alleged Soviet threat to the region, while ignoring the fact that Israeli occupation of Palestine and American support to it are the source of all dangers to peace and security in the area."

"The Palestinians, Mr Kaddoumi added, "have no alternative but to strengthen their true friends, the socialist block led by the Soviet Union".

Turning to Western Europe, Mr Kaddoumi noted a positive Mr Kaddoumi noted a "positive change" toward a better understanding of the Palestinian problem. But this was not enough. He called for additional efforts to "develop" the position of the EEC countries, but did not expect an early peace initiative from them, He advised the European Community states that if they wanted their initiative on the Middle East problem to succeed, "They must steer clear of America's domination".

In his speech opening the

In his speech opening the council session on Saturday, President Hafiz al-Assad of Syria made no reference to King Husain, despite the continuing war of words between Syria and Jordan. This was in-terpreted as a gesture by the Syrian leader notto embarrass the PLO chairman, Mr Yassir Arafat, who prefers to keep his bridges open with the Jordan-

Senate inquiry: A United States Senate delegation arrived in Tel Aviv today from Saudi Arabia to examine Israeli objections to the supply of ad-vanced American arms to the

Syrians mopping up around encircled Lebanese town

Beirut, April 13.—Syrian troops today carried out mopping-up operations against right-wing militia around the besieged eastern Lebanese town of Zable. The Syrian Government simul-taneously rejected French-led moves to set up a new international force to police a cease-fire if the Lebanese authorities

Syrian forces have cut off Zahle, and are fighting Phalangist forces in the village of Qaa al-Rim, three miles north. The officially-controlled

Syrian press today strongly criticized the latest French moves, describing them as interference in Syrian-Lebanese

up a buffer force. Two days ago Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State, said in Paris that the United States and France were taking coordi nated diplomatic action to help to end the bloodshed.

Canberra.

By Tony Samstag

The concept of an unspoilt

environment as a basic human

ing implications of a small but

next year on pollution of the

ment area, describe its effects

The Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation has in its rime cal-led tribunals on American war

crimes in Vietnam, human

rights in Latin America and

Germany, and the treatment of Indians in North, South and Central America.

vironmental issues was first

suggested at a meeting of Euro nean environmentalists in Paris

ast month, where delegates

from such action groups as Greenpeace argued that pollu-tion could be as much a viola-

A similar approach to

tion) to punish polluters.

the Waddenzee.

Mr Camille Chamoun, head of the right-wing Lebanese front alliance, today discussed the crisis with President Elias Sarkis and suggested talks with the Syrians as the way to settle

Lebanon's problems.

The Phalangists, who dominate the Lebanese Front, have so far rejected direct talks with the Syrians, whom they have accused of attempting creeping France has said it is ready Reuter.

Liberian military prepare return to civilian rule

after seizing power, Liberia's masses".

military Government has He also announced that 19 announced that it is forming a political prisoners were being commission to draft a constitution as a prelude to a return to civilian rule.

Master Sergeant Samuel Doe, the head of state, made the announcement in a speech to mark the anniversary of the coup in which President William Tolbert was assassinated. But Sergeant Doe, aged 29, who staged the coup with 16 other enlisted men, did not say when military rule would end.

The old constitution was suspended after the coup. The 25-member commission will be headed by Mr Amos Sawyer, head of the political science department at Liberia Univer-

Sergeant Does said the members were chosen to take into account "regional balance, rechnical competence and commit-ment to the course of change in

Monrovia, April 13.-A year the interest of the Liberian

Justice Minister, told reporters the prisoners included Mr James Gbarbea and Mr Allen William, two former defence ministers.

He said 24 political prisoners remained in jail including Mr Adolphus Tolbert, elder son of the late President. Sergeant Doe paid tribute to

the help his Government was getting from the United States, its biggest end supplier, which gave is \$23.85m (about £10.8m) in 1980 and has approved \$33m this year. American officials say the final amount could be

The United States links were symbolized by the presence here since last Friday of about 100 American Green Beret commandos for 30 days' training with the Liberian Army.—

Indonesian dance for the Prince of Wales during a stroll through Russell-style | Agencies in Karamoja fear rain could hinder relief tribunal on Rhine's filth

roads in the Karamoja district right is among the more strikdetermined movement among European Conservationists to convene a Russell-style tribunal

is creating a potentially dangerous situation for aid workers in Mbale.

remote parts of Karamoja. Most of the 300,000 people in Many say they run the risk of Karamoja have depended on being attacked by tribesmen if relief food for months, because The tribunal, to be held in Rotterdam, would collect data on pollution in the Rhine catch-

and outline a programme of legislation (or more efficient enforcement of existing legisla-"As many of the poliuting industries as possible will be identified and subsequently called to account", according to a statement by the Dutch Society for the Preservation of

Australian volunteer said. plant sorghum and millet, the The rains have been earlier only crops that grow in their and heavier than for many arid lands.

From Charles Harrison years. They have washed away Nairobi, April 13 bridges, and rurned roads into Torrential rain has cut many a sea of mud.

United Nations officials in roads in the Karamoja district
of north-east Uganda, and aid
agencies are trying to plan an
emergency airlift to deliver Karamoja, and if these get
food to the worst-hit areas,
where thousands of people
depend on famine relief supplies.

The interruption of supplies
is creating a potentially dangerthe near by towns of Sproti and the near by rowns of Soroti and.

"The Karambjong are tradi-tionally warriors, and it is im-possible to explain to them that in tribal raids.

they can't have the food they

Efforts are being made to

Hospital has no drugs

Children play among Chad war victims

Ndjamena Ndjamena
The rifles are propped like
a tripod in the shade of the
tree by the central hospital
entrance. Sprawled in the
dust beside them are guards
with the distinctive red flashes
on their shoulders of Chad's
elite military police. They argue briefly against

They argue briefly against the idea of a tour bur then give in. One of them puts on his red beret, brushes the dust off his shirt and throws his rifle over his shoulder, holding it casually by the barrel like a toy.

He does not know the way round the hospital he guards, but the wing where the war wounded lay can be easily found by the stench and the clattering.

The stench, a strange mix-ture of stale disinfectant and excreta, haugs so heavy in the firce hear of the sun that it is almost tangible. The clattering, like the noise of a child turued loose on a set of saucepans, comes from the iron beds at the patients twist and turn in their discomfort and

It is a modern enough hos-pital, clad in red brick with big outside verandahs. Doubtless a few years ago it was a pride of Ndjamena. But neglect, dirt and war have turned each little ward into a scene worthy of Hogarth.

Flies gorge themselves on rotting uneaten and inedible food that adds its own pungency to the atmosphere. The mattresses are usually bare and stained with dried blood. The few covers left are filthy scraps of

grey and maroon blanket. The fans in the ceiling do not turn for there is no electricity; the toilets do not work for there is no water; the filth rots where it lies for there is no

And in the midst of all this are the patients, some with no arms or feet, some with metal splints pioning shattered limbs, some with hideous oozing wounds now four months old. Nor all are war victims but are victims of what has become everyday life in Chad. There is

aspirin.

a taxi fare had flung petrol over him and set him alight before walking off.

Nursing is almost non-existent and several of the men's wives sleep on mats by the bedside carrying away bedpans and bringing in food and water. A few even have their tiny children there, playing happily about on the revolving fioots, their faces as out of place as a fairy's in a nightmare.

a fairy's in a nightmare. There are few drugs. Some say they receive a pill perhaps twice a week. All say they see a doctor at most once a week. A temperature chart at the foot of most beds is the only sign of regular attention. The of regular attention. The patients keep their own medical records, eagerly and proudly pulling out their X-rays to show the bullet many still carry in them.

It is now four months since the fighting stopped and the 250 or so remaining in hospital. are all that are left there of the 9,000 originally wounded in the war. Despite the appalling conditions some are so crippled they do not want to leave. Life even for the fit is a terrible. struggle in Chad. For the handi-capped it is well nigh impos-

A small team of French doctors cross the river from the Cameroons each day to operate on emergencies, but they lack the resources or security to provide thorough after-care. There is only one working Chad doctor.

The few Chad nurses on the staff are all tired and disillu-sioned. None has been paid since before Christmas and one admits frankly that he has stolen surgical alcohol from the hospital's meagre supplies in order to raise a little money to feed his own family.

In another area the only two nurses on duty were both asleep. despite the sobs of a woman patient desperately calling out for water. The casualty depart-ment stores boast four bandages and a half empty bottle of

On the way back to the front gate the young military police-man is silent and pensive. With a teenager who sits on a foul mattress with blood-soaked bandages covering both legs and one arm, a look of anger and shock on his young face. A man who refused to pay him stench. With the other he holds his rifle almost distastefully away from him. Perhaps he has realized his gun is not a toy.

Mr Shcharansky loses his visiting rights for a year

Moscow, April 13.—Mr was sentenced in 1978 to three Anatoly Shcharansky, a Jewish years' imprisonment and 10 dissident who is serving a sen-tence in a Urals labour camp, has been put in solitary confine-ment and denied visiting rights during 1981, his mother said.
In a statement handed to

Western correspondents, Mrs Ida Milgrom said camp authorities had sentenced her son to ment in January, but did not is the main aim of the organs

say why.
Mr Shcharansky, who is 32,

years' imprisonment and 10 years in a labour camp: on charges of espionage. His trial aroused widespread protest in the West.

"This is the moral and physical destruction of a person. A tragic end is unavoidable in the conditions in which Anatoly of power", Mrs Milgrom said.-

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Hope of end to Gujarat caste conflict

From Trevor Fishlock Delhi, April 13

Delni, April 13
The caste conflict in the western Indian state of Gujarat, which has cost more than 40 lives, appeared to have been resolved today in an agreement the second conflictions and second conflictions and conflictions are conflicted to the confliction of the caste confliction and confliction an ment between the agitators and the state authorities. The junior doctors, who have been in the forefront of trouble during the past three months, agreed to stop demonstrations and other actions

and other actions. and other actions.

The authorities hope that the turmoil in Gajarat which has involved rioting, aron, murder and beatings, will now subside. But the bitterness created during the trouble will take some

time to heal.

The conflict had its roots in caste prejudice and perceptions of changing fortunes among castes. Postgraduate medical students started demonstrating against the reservation system through which India attempts to redress economic and social

To what extent are these

complaints justified, it is asked. The foregoing example does not seem that serious, on the face of it has a characteristics.

face of it, but others are more worrying and help to explain the particular sensitivity of the Indian sub-continent at the

It is difficult to avoid the con-

clusion that Asians wanting and

Atlantic."

wrongs arising from the caste

system. Since independence there have been quotas of jobs and college places reserved for people of recognized tribes and of lower castes like harijans (untouchables).

In Gujarat erupted because higher caste students felt that lower caste people were being treated too favourably. They said that deserving students could not get places in colleges.

Their demonstrations demanding the ending of the quota system led directly to inter-caste, murders and the burning of homes. Police had on several occasions to resort to baton tharges, teargas and shooting to break up mobs. The state government invoked the law providing for detention without trial.

Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, and the Indian Par-liament, who made it plain they were committed to the quota system as part of a framework of equality and justice in a of equality and justice in a society traditionally ordered on In the face of the govern-

ment's determination not to be browbeaten, the students and their supporters saw that their agitation would run out of steam. They had planned to start today an indefinite fast, an action hardly likely to worry the authorities, but instead had talks with the state govern-

As part of the deal the junior doctors agreed to stop the agitation that has disrupted life in the state, has spread fear and bitterness, and has closed the colleges. The authorities agreed to release arrested students and to improve condi-tions in colleges and increase

Meanwhile the quota system was vigorously defended by

students' stipends.

this country). In the same year 1,074 Indians were held at the Har-mondsworth detention centre,

However, if Asians try to get entry clearance in their own countries, it is not always easy. Mrs Kashiben Manibhai Patel, a widow of 71, who as a former Ugandan Asian is a citizen of the United Kingdom and colonies, has been refused entry

She applied to visit this country in August 1979 for her grand-daughter's wedding and was turned down on the grounds that she might stay here. The same thing happened again, lest waste.

British passport holders, have to wait more than five-and-a-half years to enter Britain because the quota for them is set at about 500 a year.

It is asspected that it is

Searching Indian questions for Mrs over, the British have reverted to what they basically are—a small people with small minds inhabiting a small island in the Atlante." Australian visitors (many more of whom were applying to visit

compared with 16 Australians and 14 Canadians. Many are detained because they arrive without prior entry clearance. East African Asians, who are which is not officially required by Indian visitors and about which most white visitors have never heard.

entitled to come here are treated differently from whites. People from India and Pakistan are refused entry to Britain at a much higher rate than say, North Americans or Scanding. In 1979, 12 out of every 1,000 Pakistanis were denied entry and six out of every 1,000 Indians. This contrasts with a clearance to visit her six chil-dren, 22 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren living here.

Mrs Thatcher is likely to be lobbied strongly about the special youther scheme; former

deliberately being kept low in India, but high in other parts of the world, such as East Africa, where few Asians remain. By reshulfling the quota to allow the 5,000 people waiting in India to come here the Prime Minister could

Delhi, April 13.-A char-

Gliders collide

Johannesberg, April 13.-A south African glider pilot was killed and another, a young woman, parachused to safety when their gliders collided above the black township of

3y Lucy Hodges When Mrs When Mrs Margaret Chatcher, the Prime Ministry, arrives in India today, she is ikely to encounter protests bout harassment of Asians at Reathrow Airport, virginity testing (now stopped) and the way in which families are kept apart by immigration controls. Relations between Britain and India are at an all-time low point Indian newspaper coverage of Britain concentrates on reports about racial incidents and the Nationality Bill. Some are hysterical, but they reflect a widespread feeling, based on what many people believe to be

When customs officers at Heathrow detained an Indian troupe for two hours last year, the Hindustan Times described the incident as scandalous. Perhaps without an empire

and far-flung outposts to lord

Mr Whitelaw said: The House is well aware of the violent clashes which have occurred between the

police and young people, mainly black. The most serious disorder took place in the afternoon and evening of Saturday. Shops were looted, vehicles destroyed and

other property, including private homes, seriously damaged.

Again vesterday there were out-breaks of lawlessness in the area, though on a lesser scale. Over the two days a total of 149 police

officers were injured, along with 58 members of the public. Ten

police officers and one member of the public remain in hospital. Some 224 people were arrested.

We in Parliament, on behalf of the people of this country, have

placed on the police the heavy burden of maintaining peace on the streets and of preserving order and the rule of law. Whatever

questions may arise in people's minds about the reasons why this outbreak of violence occurred,

there is no doubt in my mind.

nor should there be in the mind of any Member of this House, that Metropolitan Police officers of all ranks carried out their duty with

ranks carried out their duty with great bravery and professionalism.
On our behalf I have asked the commissioner to pass this message on to all members of his force. I would also wish to pay our tribute to the same courage and determination which were shown by the members of the London fire brigade.

But despite the determined efforts of the police, they were faced with violence which was very

serious in its type, scale and inten-sity. In addition to the personal injuries, the widespread damage to

or the widespread damage to property, and consequent financial loss to wholly innocent people, has been enormous. Whatever grievances individuals or communities feel they toffer, such violence—from whatever quarter it comes—cannot and will not be condored.

The police will continue to do

their duty to maintain the law on the streets of London, and in this

they are entitled to the full sup-port of Parliament and the nation. The events of this weekend call for the most thorough examina-

tion. I have therefore decided to appoint an inquiry under Section 32 of the Police Act, 1964. I have invited Lord Searons to undertake this inquiry and I am glad

to say he has accepted. His terms

Brixton riot inquiry: 'We cannot buy our way out of these problems'

(Eirmingham, Sparkbrook, Lab), questioning Mr Whitelaw on the statement, said: I offer the Opposition's sympathy to the many policemen and fire officers who were injured while performing their legitimate duties in Briston Lord Scarman, a Lord of Appeal, is to undertake an ingent inquiry into the serious disorders in Brixton over the weekend. The Brixton over the weekend. The luquiry was announced in a statement by Mr William Whitelaw. Home Secretary, who said the events of the weekend called for the most thorough investigation. He had decided to appoint an inquiry under Section 32 of the Police Act; 1964. The inquiry would be held in public save where Lord Scarman decided it was appropriate to be held in private.

We deplore the violence that took place and believe that sug-gestions that police should have left the area and abandoned the protection of residents are wholly misplaced. (Renewed Conservative

We support the setting up of an inquiry but believe it should investigate more than the specific incident or incidents that precipitated last weekend's violent events. Certainly it must examine what happened on Saturday and Sunday, and how the police responded to the situation.

responded to the situation.

In our view, that is only the beginning of the inquiry. The question is how the area can be helped to avoid a repetition of such incidents in future and how such incidents can be avoided in other parts of the country.

The events of the last two days have deep-rooted and fundamental causes. Those causes and roots must be explored. The inquiry must go further than policing procedures alone.

We hope it would examine three points. First the employment pros-pects of the young people in the area. Even when the slump is over, they will need special assist-ance to find jobs.

Second, the housing prospects in the immediate area should be in the immediate area should be covered. Anyone who has visited Mayali Road or Railton Road must realize that the physical conditions of that area had a crucial effect on the events. Money should be provided for the improvement of the area.

Third, we need a fundamental review of the relationship between the Brixton police and the Brixton public. I have no wish to allocate blame or responsibility but the

blame or responsibility but the breakdown of the relationship between the police and the public is an undoubted fact. It is the duty of the inquiry to discover how it happened and how it can

An inquiry under Section 32 of the Police Act, 1964, may in many ways be inadequate. It concen-trates on only two of the issues we regard as fundamental.

Therefore I urge bim to keep an onen mind on both the nature of the inquiry and those who should carry it out until he has had representations about its membership

and its terms of reference.

I urge him to set up a wide ranging inquiry into the causes of the events as well as the events themselves.

I urge him to compose that inquiry of a number of responsible and reputable persons familiar with the problems involved in such an area. A limited inquiry in these circumstances could be no more circumstances could be no more than a palliative. In our view, the time for palliatives is past. Mr Whitelaw: I am grateful for his forthright statement on the suggestions that the police should

to say ne has accepted. His terms of reference will be:
"To inquire urgently into the serious disorder in Brixton on April 10 to 12 and to report, with the power to make recommendations." have left the area. There was The inquiry will be held in pubpressure that this should happen and the police commander who rejected those representations was lic save where Lord Scarman decides that it is appropriate to be held in private. The terms ey, thief Opposion the terms of reference of the on home affairs inquiry will enable Lord Scarman Mr Roy Hattersley, chief Opposi-

I had in mind that the Select Committee on Home Affairs is just completing a study of racial disadvantage generally and felt it was wrong to cross the wires of the two inquiries.

I had in mind it was important to get a quick and urgent answer. In regard to the Red Lion Square inquiry, Lord Scarman produced just such a report, and quickly. seemed sensible to follow that

do it. I know he has wide support throughout the House. I hope it will be done urgently and I believe the inquiry can inquire into the matters he has raised.

Mr Hattersley: In the genuine and perhaps desperate desire to minimize the damage that will come out of the last two days, may I reiterate my firm belief Square events are different those which caused the Brixton

I plead with him at least to consider accepting representations about the nature of the inquiry and its membership before he closes all doors. He has come quickly to this conclusion. I hope he will leave his mind open for one day more at least.

Mr Whitelaw: I took the view on visiting the area that it was crucial for this House to take a firm, clear and decisive action at the earliest possible opportunity. That is most important. That is why I acted urgently.
I managed to obtain the services of Lord Scarman. I wish to pro-ceed on that basis. I trust the House will allow me to do so.

Mr John Fraser (Lambeth, Norand shock at what has happened, but it is not the immediate cause of what happened that matters. What is needed is a broad-based and sensitive inquiry into the underlying causes.

Deep disaffection about relations with the police is described by my constituents as one of the causes, and deep concern about unemployment and the other consequences of economic policy are

sequences of economic policy are others. I urge him to include these underlying causes in the inquiry under the chairmanship of Lord Does he regard this as a riot for which the police will pay damages under the Riot Damages I urge that we have immediate

community policing henceforth in this area. Mr Whitelaw: Yes, it will be regarded as a riot. Yes, compensa-tion will be paid. This is a matter for the Receiver of the Metroobitan Police in the normal way.

As for the immediate causes and the sensitive inquiry into the relationship between the police and the public in Brixton, that will be at the centre of Lord Scarman's inquiry and is entirely covered by his terms of reference, as are the other matters that he has raised. Mr William Shelton (Lambett: Streathsm, C): Many people will be pleased to know that they will receive compensation for these disgraceful events. The evidence

A recent report on police and community relations sponsored by Lambeth Council, called the police an army of occupation and did much to increase hostility against

much to increase hostility against the police.

Over the last two weeks or so subversive leallets, of which I have two in my hand, have been circulated throughout the area.

The vast majority of the community in Lambeth are sick and fed up with left-wing agitators taking advantage of the genuine grievances of many of these youngsters to further their own subversive ends.

Mr Whitelaw: The matters be has Mr Whitelaw: The matters he has raised will obviously all come before Lord Scarman's inquiry, and I would therefore not wish to repeat some of the views I have held on some of them in the past. It is important for Lord Scarman to look at them afresh.

Scarman to look at them arresn.

Mr John Tilley (Lambeth, Central, Labi: The vast majority of the people in the parts of Brixton I represent also condemn the violence that took place, but they will be disappointed that the inquiry seems to be restricted and that the underlying economic and social causes seem to be given secondary consideration, if at all. Does he remember a year ago when I urged him in this House after the Bristol disturbances to take that as a warning that the aner the arisin maintaines to take that as a warning that the Government would face similar outbreaks throughout the country in the inner cities if they did not act then to remove the sources and causes of the frustration and anear?

Since then in that area, the Since then in that area, in-Government has done precisely the opposite and the services of local government and the job opportuni-ties for youngsters, black and white, in that area have become

white, in that area have become fewer rather than greater.

The Government must take action now. The inquiry must be widened to include specifically the Government's policies on industry, employment and the environment.

Will he arrange for the Secretaries of State for Industry and the Environment also to visit Revision to see the consequences. the Environment also to The Brixton to see the consequences of their economic policies? bir Whitelaw: There are many people whether in the Asian or West Indian community, who deeply deplore violence as much as everyone else. Lord Scarman can inquire into many of his other points.

Lambeth received Government

Lambeth received Government assistance of about £8m in 1980-81 under the partnership arrange-Sir Nigel Fisher (Kingston upon

Sir Nigel Fisher (Kingston upon Thames, Surbiton, C): Can he express a view as to whether the police might have used tear gas to disperse the rioters because that might have saved many police casualties?

Would be bear in mind for the future that if the police had organized a pincer movement it would have reduced the save of organized a pincer movement it would have reduced the area of

Mr Whitelaw : Both these points come within the terms of refer-ends of the Lord Scarman inquiry. Having heard from the police how they handled the operational situation. I think that a pincer movement was carried out. Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, Off UU): In reflecting upon these events, will be and the Govern-ment bear in mind in view of the

relevant population, that they have seen nothing Jet?
Mr Whitelaw: I will reflect on anything Mr Powell says.

anything Mr Powell says.
Mr Peter Bottomley (Greenwich, Woolwich, West, C): After the inquiry it will be necessary to give further thought not only by inquiries but in every other way, to try to improve the community in the centre of Lambeth because the community is need a reflection. the community is not a reflection of several communities but one

Mr Whitelaw: I accept that and the importance of the work, without making any controversial point, of the local council and all authorities-just as important as the work of Lord Scarman. All these matters can be considered and no doubt will be within Lord Scarman's terms of reference. Mr David Alton (Liverpool, Edge to light of any extreme groups being involved in the riot over

Will he bear in mind when the will be bear in mind when the inquiry is meeting that unemployment among young blacks quadrupled last year? This is a cause of much of the problems in our

Mr Whitelaw: The first point must be for the inquiry. It would be wrong for me to anticipate it. Unemployment is serious, but it never can be and never should be made in this House an excuse for violence such as we have seen

this weekend.

Mir Eldon Griffiths (Bury St
Edmunds, C): Will he look into
the Molotov cocktails, since this
can hardly have been spontaneous
and must have been with malice
aforethought.

Looking to the future, will he
agree it is impracticable to ask
the police to handle the complex
problems of race relations alone
and that he should give his supproblems of race relations atome and that he should give his support to informal contacts between the police and the immigrant communities, perhaps at a social

There is no justice in suggesting that the Metropolitan Police are in any sense racially modivated. Mr Whitelaw: I accept what he said at the end. I would be keen said at the end. I would be keen to see more community relations work and more social contacts, which has been done by the Metropolitan Police and their community relations officer in this area. That should not be forgetted. A great deal has been done and it should be recognized.

The other matters could be

The other matters could raised with Lord Scarman's quiry except one, and that is that the police cannot deal with race They are the recipients of many of the problems which arise from other factors. They have to do the job of keeping the peace in those circumstances. That is what we can find out from the inquiry. Mr Thomas Cox (Wandsworth, Tooting, Lab): Is he really aware of what life is like in south Lon-don? It really is desolation and decreis.

He has heard of the loss of services we have had, but we have also suffered infimidation and attacks on the black and Asian communities by the thugs of the wer done about this.

A combination of these events eads to the kind of events we ave seen at the weekend.

The Home Secretary can have the secretary can have t National Front, and nothing is ever done about this.

A combination of these events leads to the kind of events we have seen at the weekend.

a dozen inquiries if he wants to, but unless, the Government tackles the root causes of our problems in south London, sodiv problems in south London, sadiver this will happen again, and next time it will not only be the destruction of property but it will be the loss of lives as well.

No one in this House should have allow that sinction to arise ere: allow that situation to arise. (Labour cheers.)

Mr Whitelaw: I note what he says and the feeling with which he says It. I wish to have an inquiry and get to the root of some of these problems. I understand the position in south London. I have personal reasons for knowing. Mr Anthony Grant (Harrow, Cen-tral, C): The Asian community in my constituency, which utterly deplores the disgraceful disorder

deplores the disgraterin devoter in Brixton, enjoys an excellent relationship with the police and they will support the Home Secretary in what he has to do to maintain the first duty of a democratic government, which is to maintain law and order.

maintain law and order.

In the inquiry, the terms of reference should be wide enough to cover the activities of organizations of extreme left and right musquerasting under grandiose thies such as the National Council for Civil Liberties.

for Civil Libernes.

Mr Whitelaw: I am grateful for what he says about the Asians. It confirms what I have said and believe is important to say again. There are large numbers of coloured communities, both Asian and West Indian, who deeply deplore this and wish to have nothing to do with it.

On the second point, yes, I On the second point, yes, I understand that the terms of reference would be able to include con-

sideration of those bodies in so far as they contributed to the serious disorder in Brixton. Mr Donglas Jay (Wandsworth, Battersea, North, Lab): It is clear that the police at least cannot be blamed for the Government's policy of deliberately creating

Mr Whitelaw: In no way can police be blamed for the policies of this Government or any other Government, that includes all parties over a long period of

It is the duty of the police to serve the Government of the day and maintain law and order in accordance with the policies of the

Mr David Mellor (Wandsworth, Putney C): When we have whole-sale looting and sacking as well as policemen, firemen ambulancemen and ordinary members of the pub-lic, it would be grossly wrong and unfair to talk about social conuniar to tak about social con-siderations when what we ought to be talking about is an act of sheer criminality.

The day we confuse the two is the day we speak of the end of civilized society.

Mr Whitelaw: I agree. Everything

I have said is consistent with it. It must be that the police have the right to expect the full hearted support of everyone in this House to maintain law and order in our streets in accordance with what is laid down as policy in this House. Mr Clinton Davis (Hackney, Cen-

Budget critics misunderstand basic objective

There have been many represen-tations made to me over the week-end by people in Hackney, which is an area not dissimilar to Brixton. There is a Niggara of dis-content among young blacks who are being discriminated against over jobs, housing, and other matters.

While I have the greatest regard and respect for Lord Scarman, would the Home Scaretary extend the membership of the inquiry so that the black community itels there is somebody on the inquiry who represents the black com-

munity ? Mr Whitelaw: I note what hir Daris says about his area. I still believe it is in the interests of solving this problem that any inquiry set up should report urgently. I do not believe a long inquiry is the right way to pro-

To have more than one person would ineritably lengthen the inquiry. That would not be in the interests of solving this problem. Mr John Sever Birtungham, Ladywood, Labt: Will the Home Secretary call together the chief constables and urgs them to put into areas of high ethnic concan-tration, police officers who have

constables and urgs them to put into areas of high ethnic concentration, police officers who have been adequately trained and supervised in race relations so that they might fully appreciate the situation locally?

Mr Whitelaw: I agree and chief officers of police throughout the conoury are doing tine. I will do everything possible to urge them further in that direction.

Mr George Gardiaer (Relgate, C1: 20): The wide-precad and indistributed in the direction of this coming weekend and press on the growing weekend and press on the simulational position.

Would be express a view on the growing of the case must depend on the announced in Brixton for this spendic disturbances in this coming weekend and press on the growing weekend and press on the growing weekend and press on the growing weekend and press on the continuer of the continuer of the fire bomb announced in Brixton for this can only I is it fair to ask the police to exacerbate relations further in that territory to the detriment of the fire bomb all its cliners.

Mr Whitelaw: I will investigate the matter. Having announced the matter. Having announced the inputs of the fire bomb all its cliners.

Mr Whitelaw: I will investigated the matter. Having announced the inquiry. I hope everyone will seek to improve equipment and speed the possibility of reinforcement. If necessary, from other taken very quick and decisive action. (Cheers.)

Mr Edward Lyons (Bradford brought in sa quickly as possible West, SDP): It is time for safe stantial additional funds to be provided. Many of the causes in the problem can only be treast

the problem can only be treated Mr Phomas Benyon (Abingdin, C): What can the inquiry tellous that we do not know alread?? Does not the inquiry appear to make the violence worth while?

hir Whitelaw: The inquiry should tell us why such serious disagter erupted and the reasons belind it which are important for the it which are important tonsuse House to appreciate. That is the purpose of such an inquiry. I would not accept that it will be encouraging violence. If we be encouraging violence. If we do not take action to make it clear to people, we are making the situation more dangerous. situation more banger.
Mr Norman Atkinson (Haringer.
Tottenham, Lub): What (Social experience has Lord Scarman of areas like this which makes him particularly suitable to carry out an investigation in a situation of this sort? Mr Whitelaw: I think Lord

Scarman will have the sugnort of oil sides of the House. (Cheers.)

Mir John Stokes (Halesowen and Mil Stourbidge. C): Does the Home Socretary reulize what a peaceful country England has been for many years? Certainly riots on this scale have not happened for the three pot developments

which are new and sinister in our long national history? far Whitelaw: They are certainly a sendus and worrying develop-ment which this House must take

We have proved to be over the society. I am sure everyone hopes that we shall continue to be so. Our position as a nation depends outpeing a tolerant and generous

Me Nichelas Budgen (Wolverhamp. ton South-West. Of Will the laminy make prosecutions more difficult? Will be go so far as 10 say that it would be wrong for the proper authorities to deep prosecution, at least partly the interests of good race

If Whitelaw : Obviously the ques-

in sufficient numbers the problem can only be treased in sufficient numbers, by more resources. There is no problem about Mr Whitelaw: I do not think so bringing in reserves in the Metrocan buy our way out of the politan area. In other areas, particular problems. Nar Roy Hattersley: It is in nobody's interest to limit the inquiry to policing of the area. What happened concerns jobs, housing, social services and, more than anything else, despair driving out

hope in the area.

I urge him to look again at the prospect of extending the inquiry to consider the causes of what happened. Air Whitelaw: The Lambeth area partnership has been carrying out a major study of all those factors, as well as the inquiry by the Commons Select Committee. When considering the policing of the area, it is affected by all

the matters Mr Hatteriscy referred to, but I believe that the need for a nucle answer points to this sort of inquiry. I have no desire to limit it but I want to get an answer to what happened in the police and on the relationship between the police

New offence might undo 'sus' repeal

ference with a motor vehicle or trailer with the intention of stealing it or anything carried in or on it, Lord Mishcon (Lab), for the Opposition, said during the second reading debate on the Criminal Attempts Bill. It was taking away much if not all of the good done by the repeal of the suspected person

The Opposition unequivocally elcomed the abolition of that fence, commonly known as welcomed the abolition of that offence, commonly known as "sus", and in general terms welcomed the Bill. In the case of the new offence which was to be created, even with the improvement brought about in the original clause by the special standing committee something highly injurious was being done.

Lord Related, Under Secretary of

Lord Belstead, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, moving the second reading of the Bill, which has passed the Commons, said it was concerned with the reform and codification of an important part of common law and the repeal of en offence much criticized or its defects and effect on community The Bill was also of interes because it was the first to have been the subject of the new special standing committee procedure in the Commons. The evidence given the committee's open sessions number of significant changes to

The police representative bodies had argued that the "sus" offence should be retained because it enabled the police to intervence before crimes were committed. The Home Secretary had paid careful attention to the views of the police but had concluded that these argu-ments were not sufficiently persua-

The Government believed that The Government believed that the simple repeal of the suspected person offence would leave the public insufficiently protected in important respects. The first and most important was the frequency with which "sus" was used in cases of individuals seen tamper-

with which sus was used in cases of individuals seen tampering with parked cars.

It therefore proposed the creation of a specific offence which would penalize interference with motor rehicles. The prosecution was required to prove that the act of interference was carried out with the intention of stealing the vehicle or its contents or load or taking and driving away without consent. It did not have to prove which of the offences the defendant intended to commit.

He said be was looking at this in the light of the weekend's events which had caused such dismay.

Was it not disastrous, in days of

House of Lords growing unemployment among Considering the barm it would unyouth, black and white, and when there, was evidence of tension be-tween this youth and the police in some areas, that this new offence should be introduced?

If had all the wrong points asso-ciated with the "sus" law and which had made the Government decide to hur it.

decide to bury it.

Locd Wigoder (L) said he welcomed the abolition of the "suscomed the aboution of the "sus-pected person" offence though he did not believe the evidence sup-ported the myth which had been put around that that measure had been operated deliberately in a racially discriminatory way. A lot

this.

Lady Macleod of Borre (C) said
the Magistrates' Association had
told her this morning that they
supported the Bill as amended.

Magistrates markets Magistrates would welcome the Bill so long as it proved it went far enough when used. Only time would tell.
This sort of offence was consi-

dered as petry crime but the loss to the owner of a car would sometimes be disastrous. times be disastrous.

Lord Pitt of Hampstead (Lab) said if the House decided that Clause 9, creating the offence of interference, was necessary, peers must see to what extent it could be tightened so that it did not bring the same problems as the "sus-pected person" provision caused. Many people had said they were unjustly dealt with under the pre-vious offence, Jury trial would

help here.

Lord Avebury (L) said there was need for something in the law which dealt with the problem of interference with vehicles, even if It was not exactly as in the Bill. Almost any price was worth paying to get rid of the offence of "sus". He would be happy to have the clause creating the new offence as it stood if it meant getting the Bill on to the statute book as soon as possible. Lord Gifford (Lab) said the reason for the widespread agitation and call for the repeal of the "sus" law was that the law was being abused. There was overit was not exactly as in the Bill

"sis" law was that the law was being abused. There was over-whelming evidence that this was being done.

Even less evidence was required to form the boss of a case under the Bill's provisions than was needed for "sus". A policeman should be able to watch and wair. Cases which relied only on proof of some instinificant preparatory. of some insignificant preparatory or initial act were dangerous. The Bill was read a second time. The Interpretation of Legislation

Bill was read the third time and passed.
The British Railways (Victoria)
Bill completed its remaining House adjourned, 9.49 pm

Motorway service areas bitterly criticized for high food and fuel prices

After Conservative and Labour MPs had complained of rotten cateding, racketteering and rip-offs at motorway service areas, Mrs openheim: As this Government believes in competition, the sooner we have some action, the better for everyonce concerned. (Cheers.)

Mrs Oppenheim: I agree. Sympathy is not enough and the situation as it exists is not acceptable.

She said that if the situation of the situation are investigated by the situation as it exists is not acceptable.

She said that if the situation did not improve the Director General of Fair Trading would consider whether a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission would be appropriate. Mr Hugh Dukes (Harrow Fast C) asked the Secretary of State for Trade to use his powers under the investigation to be made into the trading practices of motorway ser-vice stations.

Mrs Sally Oppenheim (Gloucester, Mrs Sally Uppenneum (Gloucester, C1: Neither the Secretary of State for Trade (Mr Biffen) nor the Director General of Fair Trading has any plans to refer the trading practices of motorway service areas to the Monopolies and Mergers

Commission at present. A number of matters relating to A number of matters relating to competition and consumer protection are being discussed between Mr Biffen, the Secretary of State for Transport (Mr Norman Fowler) and the operators. Naturally 1, too, am keeping a close eye on the consumer considerations involved.

Mr Dykes : Mrs Oppenheim should reconsider the first part of her answer and think again carefully about this. The scene is dismal and appalling. The public are confronted now

more and more with the awful three Rs of rotten catering and facilities, racketeering over food and petrol charges, and rip-offs on to garage forecourts to get the broken down cars to repair them. They hve to be done Mrs Oppenheim: I am unable to

disguise an expression of sym-pathy with his remarks. It is true many motorists find that the services provided at motorway service areas are unsatisfactory and expensive. At the same time, it should be

noted some areas have high standards and are deservedly popular. These standards should not be the exception, they should be the rule. Mr Fergus Montgomery (Altrin-cham and Sale, C1: Sympathy is not enough. We have waited too long for action on these service stations. People are sick of rip-offs on food and petrol prices.

The Secretary of State for Transport hopes to encourage more competition between operators by selling long-term leases and give them greater commercial freedom, but this will have to be monitored carefully indeed to ensure it results in higher standards. Mr Fowler is now discussing a star rating system for the motorway operators.

Mr Peter Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab): Since she will not take action with the Director General of Fair Trading, she should publicly arge people to fill up their cars with perrol before they enter a motorway and to use service areas to cat their own saudwiches Mrs Oppenheim: I am disappointed. I thought I had been helpful and sympathetic. I under-stand that advice is often given to tourists, for example by car rental firms, about the existence of off-motorway, nearby service stations, which may offer lower prices and better services.

I think there is scope for more widespread provision of such information. Any information which increases competition is welcome, and if it leads to general improvement and higher standards, I am in favour of that.

Mr John Smith, chief Opposition hir John Smith, chief Opposition spokesman on trade North Latarishire, Lab): So far in her replies. Mrs Oppenheim has refused to commit the Government to any action whatsoever on a matter on which both sides of the House have expressed deep and inclination.

Will she refer the question of pricing at motorway stations to the Office of Fair Trading under section 13 of the Competition Act which gives powers to the Government and not rely on the advices of voluntary organizations? Mrs Oppenheim: If pricing was the only problem, that might be a solution, but it is not. It is the standard of services. That is why

Mr Fowler is carrying out I agree the current situation is not satisfactory. It needs to im-prove. If it does not, obviously prove. It is uses not, overland, the Director General of Fair Trading—and it is a matter entirely for him—will take note of what is said, and consider whether a reference is appropriate.

Those people who described the Budget as "deflationary" misunderstood the basic objectives of Government strategy, Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said when he moved the second reading of the Finance Bill. The misunderstanding arose from looking at the Budget in isolation, rather than in the context of the Government's whole policy, including its expenditure response under to the recession.

Mr Brittan (Cleveland and Whitby, C) said recent history, suggested

C) said recent history suggested "reflation" simply led to more inflation and higher unemployment. The problem of the economy was not lack of monerary demand. Between 1977 and 1980, total final armendings on speeds and services. expenditure on goods and services increased by more than 50 per cent in money terms, but only 5 per cent in real terms. The GDP rose by less than two per cent in this

enterprise and small business were much more significant than revenue costs might imply because of their implications for re-vitalising the enterprise sector. There must be further substan-tial reduction in wage increases in the next pay round if the decline

The February figures for manufacturing production, seasonally adjusted, published today, Showed a rise of 1 per cent and for total industrial production they showed a rise of 0.75 per cent.

The renewed growth would come in the main from the reversal of the factors which had been responsible for the sharp fall in activity over the past two years. Rapid destocking should come to an end. There should be a sharp decline in the rate of destocking in the second half of 1981. reached a The savings ratio

The savings ratio reaction of the second half of 1980. The reasons were related to the effects of inflation with people savings more to preserve the real value of their financial wealth. The ratio was likely to fall as inflation continued to decline. Most observers expected to see some upturn in the world economy this year. economy this year. So there were good prospects for the beginnings of some recovery in output during 1981-82. This did not

mean that unemployment would start falling immediately and it was only realistic to expect it to on rising for some time yet.

The faster we can make further inroads into inflation (he said) the carlier we can expect to find unem-ployment falling. One of the main purposes of the

Budget was to limit public borrow-ing; that could only be done by putting up taxes and almost half of the increase consisted of an extra £1,200m from the daty on petrol To suggest that anything approaching this sum could have been raised from further increases in the other indirect taxes was wholly unrealistic.

Even after the increases, the tax Even after the increases, the fax on petrol was no less in real terms than it was in 1970, or 1960 or 1930, and before the Budget the price of petrol in the United Kingdom was the lowest in the EEC exept for Germany; it was now broadly in line with the rest of the Community. Community. Of course (he said), I recognize the people living in rural areas are understandably worsted. They often have to travel long distances to work or to do the shopping, and

depend on the motor car. Repre-senting a rural constituency. I am only too well aware of the strength f this feeling. Some individuals were certainly particularly badly affected but looking at the picture as a whole, studies suggested that while tural motorists travelled on average about 8 per cent further a year than urban motorists, the extra mileage could often be balanced by better fuel consumption per mile. (Labour protests.). When all was said and done, the fuel dury increases were bound to be unpopular with many poole and understandably so. But they were necessary if the Government was to achieve its main objective: a sustained reduction in the rate of

foundation for ealthy economic recovery. For the same reason, the Government believed it was entitled to ask people this year to bear a somewhat heavier burden of income tax than anybody would have wished. The decisions on that were

not at all easy.

Since the higher rate threshold and rate bands were unchanged as well, the largest cuts in real in-come would fall, perfectly reason-ably, on those with high incomes. Like the other provisions dealing with the raising of revenue, the special tax on banking deposits had to be seen in the context of the substantial effort the Govern-

ment was making this year to constrain the PSBR.

The banks had benefited, almost inevitably, from the high interest rates of the last two years. These tion to their high profit at a time when profits in the rest of he economy had been under ncreasing pressure, not least ecause of the burden of interest payments.

Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (Tower Hamlets, Srepney and Ponlar, Lah) said the Opposition rejected the Bill on five major charges. First, it would add, through its increases in taxation, to the deflation that the country was already grievously experiencing. It would reduce the capacity of the people to buy the output of their already under-used factories and increase the level of unemployment which was already at record levels. Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition

levels.

Second, the measures in the Bill increased the burden of costs upon industries already suffering from fierce competition at home and Third, the tax measures singled at particular industries for excep-

nonal and disproportionate burdens. Fourth, the Bill increased overall the direct taxation on the people and brought into the tax net thousands on very low incomes.
Finally, the impact of the tax
measures on income tax and the
changes in capital raxation were perversely redistributive and totally unfair. when challenged about the def-lationary effect of the Budget, the

Government had been extremely evalue and contradictory. The CBI's latest forecast was that unemployment would remain on an upward trend throughout the period to the fourth period of 1982. By the end of 1932 they expected a figure of 3,250,000 unemployed. The appalling events of Brixton

were rightly in their minds today. When large numbers of young people were forced into idleness people were forced into idleness and lost hope of employment there was a background all too condu-cive to mischief, crime and alienation from the wider society.

The Budget had not naiv failed to assist the competitiveness of industry but it had increased the total fiscal burden this year—a year in which industry faced a continued fall in output He asked for a firm Government utment to restore in full the

unemployment before the new measure about taxClauses in the Bill dealing with capital transfer tax would worken still further the still inadequate taxation of wealth.

PSER would overshoot the current starget. If last year's pattern was and overshoot the current target. If last year's pattern was said he was not advocating a U-repeated, they would get further public expenditure cuts in more explicit in what it intended to do about demand. The Government of the covernment of the covernment of the cuts of t That would prove inadequate so ment knew that if it was to restant in all probability they would sare industry an admission about face another defletionacy, tax-in-the tope for demand was important, creasing Budget in 12 months.

Mr Kenneth Woolmer (Batley and Mr Maurice Macmalan (Farnham, C) said a failure of the capitalist system had been that wages bad be maintained and higher in terms ceed.

of income than shareholders were getting out of the business. The Government should think again about encouraging schemes of about encouraging schemes of employeee shareholding to enable employees shareholding to enable people to participate in their companies and to give them seem stake in the reinvested profits.

That was the only non-inflationary way in the longer to meet the expectations of people in industry as industry expanded, and to encourage people to be willing to supply to match their expectations. Sir Harold Wilson (Huyton, Lah) said the House should be concerned that the proposed windfall profits tax on the banks was likely

profits tax on the banks was likely to obliterate practically all the profits of the Ciro and domestic marks such as the Cooperative Bank which had no offsetting overseas earnings.

He hoped the Chancellor would take action to effective them from take action to safeguard them from the possible lethal consequences of the possible lethal consequences of the proposed Jax.

He welcomed the measures to help small quisinesses but said there was more the Chancellor could have done.

His committee on the review of imancial institutions looked froward to seeing more small firms helped by hig firms. Its recommendations for g change in the law an laxation to allow small companies to raise egalt; in a redeemable

to raise soult: in a redeemable from should be examined by the Departments of Trade and Industry and by the Treasury. Mr Peter Impsell (Horncastle, C) Mr Peter Tapsell (Horncastle, C) said that four major errors of technical judgement had contributed to the exceptionally bad economic performance of this country over the past B months. They were the excessively high interest rate pulicy, The excessively high exchange rate policy, an excessively most credit policy for agriculture, business and industry and the automorphisms industry and the automorphisms.

the autompethive industrial energy pricing policy.

The decision to move to an MLR of 17 per cent in the winter of 1979-86 and to retain a high interest just structure for a ong period after that was a grave error of judgment. Far from reducing inflation it helped to feed it. The mentages in merce to feet it. The conty positions for the Government's policies, however harsh in terms of rained firms and broken lives, would be permantarly to stop deflation and provide the foundation for a lasting recovery and sense rive.

and grospecity.

Presumanty that was what the authors of the policy believed. He authors of the policy believed. He could see no evidence that they were likely to be proved right. He believed that a year from now, if these prices were continued, not only would unemployment still be on a rising trend, probably over million a yar, but that inflation would also be on a rising trend. The Finance Bill would postpone and recovery in the economy until antifecturery in the economy until the hiddle of 1982 at east unless that was a change of policy.

before the new measure about tan-ation of unemployment benefit France and Germany. Perhaps a came into effect. things would come as soon as July, mere probably the actumn, perhaps not until next winter, but when it came it would be more when it came it would be more abrupt and extreme as a conse-guence of this Budget than it some would overshoot the otherwise would have been.

Morley, Lab) said it was a savagely deflationary Budget brought in at a time of deen recession. It would pile agony on to injury. The marker-place free-for-all could not suc-

Mr Christopher Patten (Bath, C) said the Government should bave at least halved the surcharge paid teed to remove the remainder in profits, make industry m petitive, help exports and end the position pruises dired employment on the one hand and increased its costs on the

At Richard Wainwright (Coins Valley, L) said the income fax changes were a surrender by the Covernment in relation to Government came to power

Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St 5) Edmunds. C) said that the neurol tax increase was inflationary and discriminatory. The cost of halving it from 200 to 100 could be rem-acted through savings on public Mr John Hors mt Gateshead, West. Soc Dem) said that the standard rate of income tax should be in-creased. Thet was preferable to the

fallure to increase the thres which meant that the tax burden Mr Robert Sheldon, an Opposition mic affairs (Asbron-under-Lyne, Lab) said that if the increases in the percoland dery duty had been spread over a longer period they might have been more manageable.

The most iniquitous and spireful part of the Finance Bill concerned the repayment of income lax. It

Mr Feter Recs. Minister of State. Treasury (Dover and Deal, C) said that the Government was sensitive to the need to balance two factors on oil taxation to ensure a proper return to the country from the exploitation of the North Sea and not to discourage people from investing there. It was a delicate

prevented access to one's

If the oil companies or other sources could devise a more constructive and more sensitive regime, the Government would be happy to return to those matters because the raz would only enacte for the three accounting periods which ended in June next year.

The Bil was read a second time by 309 votes to 253—Government majority, 36.

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New safety regulations for household products likely

House of Commons
The Government intended shortly
to circulate safety regulations on
suitable warning labels for household products which could be danhold products which could be dannerous to children, Mrs Sally
grous to children, of State for
Consumer Affairs, said during
questions on the need for adequate
labelling of hazardous domestic questions on the need for adequate labelling of hazardous domestic products in view of the number of accidents involving children.

Airs Oppenheim (Gloucester, C)

aid: I am only too aware of the

any tragic accidents from poisongiven instructions for the EEC legislation and the Health and Safety Executive draft regulations to be swiftly examined to see if children every year to children every to be swirtly examined to see if they adequately cover potentially dangerous household products that are bought and used in the home. Foducts as cleaning and polishing Cents, disinfectants, solvents and

knts. I agree that the best way to

prevent such accidents is by suitable warning labels and I intend shortly to circulate safety regula-tions on the matter.

Mr Archibald Hamilton (Epsom and Ewell, C): That reply is encouraging because of the danger faced by children with the increasing use of toxic substances in the

Mrs Oppenheim: This matter has concerned me since I introduced a ten-minute rule Bill in 1972. I have

ingly under the Consumer Safety

Stamford, C): Can she assure us that this will apply to imports? Many imports of household goods and other things are inadequately explained and we could keep a good many imports out on that

Mrs Oppenheim: Any regulations

will apply to all goods sold in shops for use in the home in this

Mir Greville Januer (Leicester,

products.
Mrs Oppenheim : He has raised an important point which we have considered. The proposal under the EEC directive was that symbols should be shown which could be learnt by children and which will

West, Lab): As unfortunately, the practical to use children who are most affected will tainers although the not be able to read the warning medicinal products. practical to use child-proof con ugh this applies

If they do not to my satisfaction, labels, it would be a better idea to will introduce legislation accordingly under the Consumer Safety the provision of child-resistant containers for these household

adequately warn patents.

One of the main problems with household products is that most people think they are safe and keep them under the kitchen sidk, so the main objective is to warn parents. It is neither necessary nor

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A want of intonation

Allegri Quartet Wigmore Hall

Hilary Finch

lust as singers can take in pira-tion from the particular quadi-ties and approaches of string daying, so string players can, and many do, take example from singers. Had the Allight particular to their contribution. quarter, in their contribution in saturday to the wigmore Hall's excellent Dyurak and Grieg series, thought more vocally, their playing may well here gloided those negative element, which ran through and enertied their performance of all three performance of all three performance. three works.

The hunid evening cannot have helped the temperament if either the players or their assuments. But, despite much etuning and brow-mapping perween movements, intonation and constantly unsure particularly in the first violin, and government of the Dyoral justice in D minor, op 34, and he Berg Lyric Suite, with its apertine sonorities, Here imaperine sollotties, here interest intonation, particularly a the pianissimo phrases and astained chords of the Adagio appassionato and the wide leaps if the opening of the last movement, so often supped the pusic's emotional life.

An absence of sense of shape and direction of the melodic me dimmed the opening "sun-ise" of Hayda's Quarter op 76 10 4; but it was the raucous, mrefined tone of the playing, he lack of colouring of the nices, that grated most con-istently. The finale of the laydn, for instance, specifies person voce: had it been herved its edginess would

are been transformed into mpishness.

Anticipatory flecks of sound particularly noticeable in the aydni, imprecise ensemble (at he beginning of the slow move-tent of the Dvorak I heard our quite disconnected notes the opening close-harmony wied chord) and an insuffiient selection of voices (essenal above all in the Berg) all mealed a lack of concentrated stening. Too often the inner arts seemed pushed aside, a reater pity since Prunella acey's viola playing was some i the most musicel. Her last ying bars in the Berg weetened the taste of the

It was a combination of all iese factors, but above all a ck of true focusing of ener-ies that made the Berg, a work which atmosphere and spression seem to form the ery structure of the music, timately so disappointing.

There's no mistaking a Giacometti

Giacometti Serpentine Gallery

Giacometti: Paintings Thomas Gibson Fine Art

Spotlight: Four Centuries of Ballet Costume

Victoria and Albert Museum

It is curious how we always seem to have difficulties dealing with families of artists. Somehow the very idea of several pointers, or actors, or composers with the same surname sets up conflicts, as though, in a world which would have room and to pure for so many talented in-dividuals under different names, we have room for only one major figure at a time with the same name. If reference is made to "Giacometti", tout court, it would hardly ever occur to anyone—outside Switzerland, at least—to ask which have And yet at least—to ask which have And yet at least—to me relations. oae. And yet at least two relatives of Alberto were significant figures in art: his father Giovanni was a brilliant Post-Impressionist, unrepresented unfortunately in the Royal Academy's Post-Impressionism. show last year, and his half-cousin Augusto was a very early abstractionist in the lyrical/mestical free-form style unrepresented unfortunately at the Tate's Abstraction show last year. No doubt their unfamiliarity abroad has something to do with their being Swiss, and therefore not abviously belonging to any mainstream of modern art. But it has much more to do, I am sure, with the fact that the younger Giacometti appropriated their nama for his exclusive use.

Alberto never seems to have had too much problem with his Swissness. Unlike his painterrelatives, he was not long content to live and work in Switzerland: indeed, from the age of 21 (in 1922) be lived almost all his life in Paris, and, if any national identity at all was attributed to him, it was most likely to be French. He be-came well known first in Paris, particularly high reputation in Britain, where, rather surpris-

ingly, he must have been since the war easily the most famous and familiar contemporary foreign sculptor. Maybe there was something self-denying about his emaciated, knobbly, stick-like figures which had a special appeal to the British temperament: you were in no doubt that he was serious, you could near accuse him of succumbing to the blandishments of the senses (his sculptures must be among the least touchable or tempting to touch) and ar least he was ferociously con-

Just how consistent we can gauge from the smallish yet remarkably comprehensive show of his work at the Serpentine until May 17, along with a complementary show of his paintings at Thomas Gibson Fine Art, 9a New Bond Street, until May 1. What the sculptures at the Serpentine show above all the temperature of the server. is the progressive, quite volun-tary limitation of his means and purposes which took place between 1926, the date of Spoon-Woman, the first bronze in the collection, and 1947, the date of the first "typical Giacometti." stick-figure, also a standing woman. The trouble is, the earlier works are much the more exciting: one has a real feeling of risk, the possibility of poing any number of bility of going any number of ways under the influence of cubism, surrealism or primitive art. Later, though the brand-image is clearly visible and one would never mistake a Giacometti for anyone else, the impression is unavoidable of a stylistic sausage-machine into which all kinds of material can be fed and come out looking exactly the same. This is why I can never under-stand Giacometri's biographers

stand Glacometri's biographers making so much point of exactly when he gave up working from life or took it up again. It seems not to make a jot of difference either way, so oppressive does his stylistic formula become. I have to admit that there is a certain, theatrical kind of mystery about his groups of amcertain, theatrical kind of mystery about his groups of ambiguously related stick-figures, like The Square (1949) or The Glade (1950), and that some of his rather eciolated later painted landscapes have a wan fascination. But the portraits, painted or sculpted, become very monotonous and profoundly utilluminating whether of how the sitnating whether of how the sitters really look or of what kind of person they are. But go back to the early sculptures, such as the Watching Head of 1928, an almost-abstract which might be



by Moore or Repworth, or the very funny and precisely titled Disagreeable Object of 1931, a tilted wooden piece with a horn-spike coming our of the top and two little stunted legs, or the elegant, classic Walking Woman of 1932, a slim nymphet body with no head or arms, and you will feel a really powerful sculpwill feel a really powerful sculp-tural imagination at work. Sad that later on form should so suddenly and completely de-generate into formula.

In a sense costume designing is a species of sculptural thought. And there are those among the great conturiers who cannot draw to save their lives, but work it all our on the spot by draping and gathering and snipping and tucking actually on the model—for all the world like a sculptor who can function only when he is able to come to grips with the raw material, the living stone or material, the living stone or clay. But this is not invariably

the case with costume signers, particularly for the theatre. Inigo Jones, for in-stance, obviously regarded theatre.

stance, obviously regarded, thimself as a practical costume designer as well as all sorts of other, things, and naturally, if he was designing the whole visual side of a masque, included costumes along with the mass artists cale. rest. But the way artists cele-brated in other media have gone about it in the twentieth

requently, snobbery seems to have played as important a part as anything else. Dia-ghiley, for all his famous instinct for the sort of artistic chemistry which could bring the most unlikely collaborators successfully together to produce something wholly new, was clearly influenced by snobbish considerations when he brought in the famous painters of his day to design ballets for him, and many of

able, or unwilling, to adapt themselves to the stage, expecting the stage instead to adapt itself to them. One of the les-sons to be learnt from the Victoria and Albert's spectacular new show Spetlight: Four Centuries of Ballet Costume (until July 26) is that big names in other fields do not names to other fields do not necessarily produce the best costumes. It is fascinating to see the original drawings by, say, Braque, Chirico, Derain, Gabo, Gris, Matisse and Picasso, but it may well turn out in practice that the cost. out in practice that the cos-

tumes of admittedly much lesser artists happen to be more inventive as well as very likely more practical. It is the most singular advantage of the show that we are not, as usual, left to use our imagination on the original designs and maybe a few fad-ing photographs, or even (more

Giacometti's Annette assise of 1958 (far left); and costumed designed by Miro for Tamara Toumanova in Jeux d'enfants (1932)

misleading in the long run) misleading in the long run)
to judge from specially reconstituted versions in all the
wrong fabrics, as was the case
with the famous New York
show of movic costumes a few
years ago. The climax of this
exhibition, after we have
passed through a quick conspecius, of design history, is the
large hall where Toriginal coslarge hall where 77 original costumes are displayed. Though there is a group of amazingly well-preserved eighteenth-century Italian stage cestumes, most of them come, naturally, from the recentieth century, right through to only yesterday tone of Andy Klunder's cos-tumes for the Royal Ballet's Gloria last year is the most

Of course, the originals, seen in cold blood rather than invested with the glamour of theatrical distance and stage lighting, may well prove rather disenchanting, whatever the in-terest in seeing at close quarters exactly how illusion is created The exhibition's organizers have sought to counterbalance this by arranging the presentation in thoroughly theatrical terms; an ever-changing light-show which has a complete competerized cycle of about half an hour. This is certainly irritating to the serious student, and no doubt to serious statem, and no doubt to some less serious, since it means that, as soon as you have found something you want to take a long, hard look at, all the lights go out, or the light from one side fades while that from the other glares, and you have to make the most of the brief lucid intervals to read the captions properly. On the other hand, this form of dramatized presentation does effectively stop us from noting too destructively the fading of the finery, and give us some inkling of what the costumes would have looked like in action.

As a bonus, it is interesting to compare, as the show enables us frequently to do, the finished costume with the original design, and sometimes, as in the case of Miro's costume for Toumanova as the top in Jeux d'enfants, with a photograph of the costume worn is well. It is a show anyone can enjoy on the most superficial level. Those who want to get something more out of it will find they have to work quite hard, but that the effort of running backwards and forwards from room to room or waiting until the best light comes back will be amply re-

BBCSO/Wright Albert Hall/Radio 3

City of London Sinfonia/Hickox Queen Elizabeth Hall

Paul Griffiths

The BBC's Berlioz festival came to its climax on Sunday with a performance of the Requiem so stark and powerful as to make it seem wrong that the audience should be seated in comfort looking on; we ought to have been trembling on our knees. Brian Wright, the conductor, kept a close control on his vast forces in a successful effort to make everything strange, sombre and severe. There was no wasted drama, no undue flamboyance. The brass groups spread about the place made their solemn corries with more implacable force than splen-dour, and the BBC Symphony Chorus, raised to a higher power by members of other choirs, sang with the monolithic

choirs, sang with the monolithic assent of a populace at prayer. Stuart Burrows, the sinkle soloist retained by Berlioz for a single movement, quite properly made his line as plain and unoperatic as he could, emphasizing in this one departure from the norm how the work is really concerned with humanity in the mass, Similarly, Mr Wright never let the orchestra exceed its rightful role of supporting, echoing and punctuating the voices. Even punctuating the voices, even though he showed magnificently what awesome blend of tone-colour the score is capable of Altogether is was a perform-ance that dispensed with everything suave in phrasing, exu-berant in rhythm or grandiosa in effect. It was a communal act of grim purpose, a Requiem for the living and fearful.

From public ceremonial to private meditation; on Friday in the Queen Elizabeth Hall the huge output of Georg Telemann was sampled for his passion oratorio Der tod Jesu, presented in what must have been its British premiere by Richard Hickox with his own choir and the City of London Sinfonia.

Given the subject matter this was not entirely a happy enterprise. The interest is drained from the choruses and chorales, and focused instead on elaborate recitatives and arias for the soloists while the text, in the tradition of Bach's contains rather than his passions, concentrates on personal response to Christ's death, not biblical narration.

As a result the work loses Bach's generality and often becomes maudlin or even offensive in its flagellatory glocking ded.

John Russell Taylor

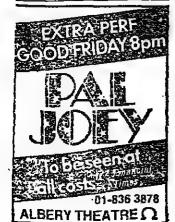
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Book review-Sparks Fly Upward By Stewart Granger

Though The Man in Grey and Curavan and Madonna of the Seven Moons made him one of such "junk" was wasting his talent and acting him despised by his fellow actors. "It's better than digging ditches, mare", came the reply, "don't ever forget that."

Granger was born James Stewart but they had a James Stewart in Hollywood so be Stewart in Hollywood so he had to change. His career was like that; he was never, despite a run of box office success, his own master. The dreaded seven-year contract was the price of fame for actors not quite strong or big enough to tell J. Arthur Rank, or Howard Hughes, or Louis B. Mayer to go to hell. Granger never made things comfortable for his employers and was one of the few ployers and was one of the few to take on Howard Hughes in the courts and win. But he could not buck the studio system and when the system itself began to crumble. Granger was

a fading star, He was, by his own account,

reluctant star, anyway. Huston, the re-make of A Star cked from the worthy ob-Plucked from the worthy ob-scurity of Birmingham Rep and an Old Vic season under Tyrone Guthrie, he found himself, rather to his surprise, with top billing opposite Phyllis Calvert and Margaret Lockwood and the other Gainsborough ladies. Seven Moons made him one or the most popular film stars in the other Gainsborough ladiesthe most popular film stars in the other Gainsborough ladiestherm, Siewart Granger could. But he got typecast as a still complain to a friend that 'swashbuckler, a sort of English Douglas Fairbanks, and found that 'was wasting his popular forest interviews Douglas Fairbanks, and found the constant press interviews and personal appearances hard to sustain. Along the way he fell in love with a succession of beautiful women but his public image had to be maintained. Rank, the Methodist, sternly rebuked him for his liaison with the young Jean Simmons, unaware that Granger had already divorced his wife. In Hollywood, it was much

In Hollywood, it was much the same story. When Granger and Simmons did eventually and. Simmons did eventually matry, the ceremony was bizarrely stage managed by Howard Hughes in order to keep the press away. Granger drank too much champagne and threw up. As he wryly remarks: "I just didn't feel married". He found himself yoked once more to a string of mediocre costume pictures and seemed siways to miss out on the big opportunities—the new Carol Reed film, the latest John

director, Cukor, and walked out) and Bon Hur. Instead he got King Solomon's Mines, Brummel, Even then, Granger was not always first choice, as Mines, Compron Bennett, ract-lessly made clear: "I have to tell you right now that I wanted Errol Flyna for the part'.

Such anecdotes are the stuff of Granger's memoirs, an ample 400-page volume. He knows how to tell a good story, often against himself, and despite the over-employment of four letter words the book has a ring of authorisists that that it wall words the book has a ring of authenticity that puts it well above the average for its genre. The narrative ends, not inappropriately, in 1960. Granger had just made his last big Hollywood film, North to Alaska, and the marriage to Jean Simmons was over. The rest would have been anticlimax; or perhaps, in a way, it was all anticlimax. But, as the man said, it was better than digging ditches, and one of the good things about this cheerfully uninhibited book is that it stirs no dirt and bears no grudges.

Peter Waymark

Uneven response to Walton

Philharmonia/Muti Festival Hall

Max Harrison

There always was a southern, one might say specifically Mediterranean, aspect to Sir William Walton's early music, such as Sicsta, and so it was interesting to go to the Festival Hall on Sunday to discover what Italian artists would make of his Viola Concerto, itself the most valuable of his early works. It is an ambiguous as well as an ambitious score and, after the precedents of Bax's Viola Sonata of a few years before,

Imogen Cooper Queen Elizabeth Hall

Noël Goodwin

A chronological progress from Haydn to Bartók, by way of Schubert and Liszt, is no doubt the expected sequence for a recital programme, as Imogen Cooper performed it at her concert in the South Bank Piano Series on Sunday afternoon. Yet I wonder if our younger recitalists might not give more thought to changing this kind of structure, now that we have begun to accept that historical progression is not necessarily the most musically rewarding.

places its scherzo-like move-ment in the middle, its slow movement last. In the event, Riccardo Muti,

conducting the Philharmonia Orchestra, and Bruno Giuranna, the soloist, made a distinctly uneven response, but were best in the rhapsodic opening move-ment. Here, indeed, Mr Muti-adjusted well to the music's innate ebb and flow, to its fit-ful way of breathing and to the bitter-sweet false relations in its harmony.

Mr Giuranna's tone is strong

Mr Giuranna's tone is strong yet not particularly large, dark but with plenty of apparent sinew, and so it was disappointing that he did now give a more positive lead in the scherzo. Here materialistic vigour is knocked off-centre by jazz-like In this instance an exchange of Haydu to the end and Bartok to the start would have been fascinating in the demands of tension and release on the listener, and in relation to neighbouring works in the two halves of the programme. The early 14 Bagatelles of Bartok, with their almost pioneering excursions into bitonality, constitute a point of reference, both forward and back, in the history of piano music, as they also encompass a variety of keyboard effects.

rhythmic distortions and acrid self-mockery, and it was pre-cisely these qualities that seemed to discourert both con-ductor and soloist.

The whole should have been far more aggressive and brass

The whole should have been far more aggressive and brass and woodwind in particular ought to have bitten much harder. Better contact was made with the finale, which is the longest and most closely argued of Walton's three movements, where the music often yearns over a stalking bassline. The climax, before the quiet coda wherein lies the composition's heart, went especially well, and the coda itself is one of those very rare passages that in nearly all circumstances provides an affecting experience. But essentially we had limened

concert studies by Liszt, where a certain stiffness in phrasing exposed the shallowness of purexposed the snanowness of purpose, and pressure at the upper
end of the keyboard produced
a touch of tonal distortion not
apparent in Bartók.
Except for a hurried pace
that can away with aspects of
detail in the finale of Schubert's

A minor Sourts, D845, the planist's feeling for the nature of this work in vivid articulation and subtle shading brought much pleasure. The variations board effects.

Miss Cooper's account of them of the second movement were was both studious in character almost Haydnesque in their and proficient in technique, classical poise, whereas the slow with particular pleasure in the movement in Haydness the slow movement in Haydness the slow for the second state. with particular pleasure in the movement in Hayda's F Major rubato pieces and those of a Sonata of 1773 was contrastingly more capricious nature. As it Schubertian in a performance was, they had a welcome clean-of stylistic polish and engaging sing effect after the turgid delight.

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pswich fear the worst will happen Fromberoto Boycott should be fit to resume

Football Correspondent

A championship that, until three weeks ago, seemed to be balanced in favour of Ipswich Town, is now weighted against them. A final push by Aston Vills at Villa Park tonight could bring the decisive tonight could bring the decisive worthy teams who have been nearlivals for most of the season. Circumstances leave no doubt that tunstances leave no doubt that Villa have an alloring chance, despite injuries, to secure a first division title that they have won six times, but not once since 1910.

Inswich are scarred and on Saturday in their FA Cup semifinal defeat by Manchester City at this same Villa ground they were nearly spent. They lost Beattle with a broken arm after he, more than anyone, had given hope that the treble of League. FA Cup and 'Uefa Cup was not a mirage that would disappear as they got closer. The treble has evaporated and the haunting fear of ending the season without a trophy is not easily removed.

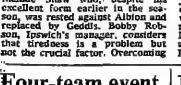
Several Ipswich players received

Several Ipswich players received minor injuries on Saturday but buly Beatrie is unavailable this evening and for the rest of the Season. Wark is hopeful of overgoning knee bruising and if as expected, the team who finished teamst City begin tonight, McCall will be at left back and Butcher and the centre of defence.

Although there is no returning that the stress of the campaign dias to be considered against Ipswich's chances, they could yet prove to be nearer full strength than Villa who are doubtful about Mortimer, Williams and Gibson and have chosen are inexperienced to use of defender. defender

Villa's main worty is that Williams, who has a hamstring injury, may not be fit enough to replace Evans, who is sussended. Williams missed the match against West Bromwich Albion last week, but trained yesterday without the match discomterday without too much discom fort. If he should prove to Blake may be given a place.

Ron Saunders, Villa's manager, has not disclosed whether he will include Shaw who, despite his excellent form earlier in the season, was rested against Albion and replaced by Geddis. Bobby Robson, Ipswich's manager, considers



Four-team event to be held by Aberdeen

Aberdeen have unveiled plans to tage a new £200,000 pre-season tournament at Pittodrie Stadium. The ambitious Scottish premier livision club will be joined by Manchester United, Southampton and West Ham United in a fourteam competition on August 1 and

About £30,000 in prize money will be at stake with the winners receiving £15,000, the runners-up £10,000 and the third placed team £5,000. The draw for the competition made in Apericen vester-day, with Southampton's Keegan and Parkes of West Ham United both present, paired Aberdeen with West Ham United and Man-chester United with Southampton. The games will be played on a "double header" basis on August I with the third place playoff and final the following afternoon. After yesterday's press conference Aberdeen's manager. Alex Ferguson, said: "The days Alex Ferguson, said: "The days of the pre-season friendly are past.

unthinkable.

the disappointment of Saturday's defeat is, he claims, the more important task before a game in which a defeat is "unthinkable".

Whereas Villa are a more tradi-tional, persistent team, lpswich depend more on high confidence to carry out their touch football, particularly through the talents of Muhren and Thijssen.

Muren and Imjssen. Manchester City discovered that perseverance could triumph on the day even if, as their manager, John Bond, admitted seven or eight times out of 10 Ipswich would have won. The match tonight, although the climax of a long season, is all too much like another single examination for Ipswich's liking. The work of Withe, Mortimer, McNaught, Evans and Bremner is Villa's foundation and I expect them to benefit from Ipswich's unfortunate excess of important fixtures by winning and taking a Rummenigge lifts Bayern

Bayera Munich, looking for a place in the European Cup final after holding Liverpool to a 0—0 draw, sharpened their bid for the West German League title at the weekend. Their closest rivals, Hamburg, lost 2—1 away to lowly Schalke while Bayern bammered MSV Duisburg 5—1. Both Bayern and Hamburg have

Both Bayern and Hamburg have
41 points and are seven points
clear of Eintracht Frankfurt in
third place, but Bayern have the
better goal difference. Four of
Bayern's goals came from Rummenigge while the hero in the
Schalke-Hamburg march was the
Schalke goalkeeper. Fischer.
AZ'67 Alkmaar, hoping to play
in the final of the Uefa Cup, lost
their first league match of the
season. Alkmaar, runaway leaders
in the race for the Dutch first
division title, were beaten 0—1. at
home by Ajax Amsterdam. The

division title, were beaten 0—1 at home by Ajax Amsterdam. The Ajax goal came in the Sist minute from their Danish player, Arnesen. Kurt Linder, of West Germany, is to take over as the Ajax trainer from July 1 on a one-year contract. Linder has asked Ajax to extend the contract of Henning Jensen but the other two Danes, Arnesen and Lerby, have both asked to be released.

Five clubs are still in the hunt asked to be released.
Five clubs are still in the hunt for the Spanish tide. With Atletico Madrid being held to a 1—1 draw in their top-of-the-table clash

against Valencia, Real Sociedad (who heat Murcia 0-2) move one point clear of their rivals. They point clear of their rivals. They
now bave 42 points while
Real Madrid, 2—0 winners over
Saragossa, are level with Adecico
Madrid on 41 points. Barcelona,
after a 2—5 sway win against
Almeria, join Valencia on 40
points.

Juventus, Roma and Napoli share first place in the Italian first division, the most exciting championship finish for years. While Roma, unbeaten for 17 games, dropped a point at home, their two rivals scored impressive away with a so more with the point with the source wins to move up to 35 points with five matches to play. The Eire international Brady, scored his eighth goal of the season as luventus stole most of the day glory by Pistolese 3—1. Italy's coach, Enzo Bearzot, has included three newcomers among 14 players selected for the exhibigoalkeeper, Galli, Dossena (E ogna) and Marangon (Napoli).

PARTY: D. Zoff : Juvenius . G. Calil (Firentlina: A. Cabrina: C. Gentlie : both Juvenius . P. Vierchowed . C. Gentlie : c. Cartina: C. Antognosi . G. Carta . Juvenius . G. Antognosi . G.

five-point lead sufficient to bring the title to hand. Mr Robson's admission that "there is just too much to do at the end of the season" suggests that he is pre-paring the Inswich supporters for disappointment. Yet a win with a game in hand would act as a powerful tonic.

Tottenham Hotspur have announced that there will be no changes in their team to meet Wolverhampton Wanderers in tomorrow's FA Cup semi-final, replay at Highbury and Wolves hope that Eves, who missed the first game with a back injury, will be fit. Hughes, who has a knee injury that he has lived with for some time, may not be ready and Hibbitt, the central figure in the controversy over a penalty on Saturday, has a groin strain.

If Wolves now regret their agreement to hold the replay at Highbury, so close to Tottenham's own ground, they can seek some consolation in the record books. Tottenham may have lost only two out of 17 cup ties played in London during the past two seasons, but they have not won at Highbury for five years.

The original decision to hold the replay at Highbury was made with the approval of both clubs because the game on Saturday at Sheffield was closer to Wolverhampton than Tottenham.

Three banned : Sherfield United only two points clear of the third only two points clear of the third division relegation positions; had three players suspended by a Football Association commission in Birmingham yesterday. Kenworthy was suspended for two games, and Macphail and Neville one each. All three had reached 20 disciplinary points. Robson: frown of one to whom defeat tonight is

Villa have suffered from the compliments that have blown like a prevailing wind towards East Anglia. Their own efforts have been praiseworthy although without being dressed with outstanding individual skill. Shaw, not at his best this late in the season, is a particularly good prospect. Cowans and Morley have uncommon ability but no team built by Mr Saunders can conceal that they thrive ou hard, collective industry. ar rymouth today and Saturday's match at Breinford. Macphall is ruled out of the Plymouth fixture, and Neville's suspension, which does nor start until Thursday, keeps him out of the Breinford game. Sheffield Wednesday had Shirtliff suspended for one game for reaching 20 points.

Paul forced to retire

Ian Paul, Walsali's 20-year-old midfield player, has had to give up the game through filness. He has had hospital treatment for stomach trouble and Walsall plan a benefit match for him.

Irish may have to cross a

picket line to play Northern Ireland internationals could have to cross a picket line of fellow professionals when they

of fellow professionals when they play their world cup qualifying game against Portugal at Windsor Park on April 29.

The Province's part-timers are threatening "industrial action" in their quest for better financial conditions and the freedom of contract enjoyed by their Englishbased colleagues. They may call a strike in Saturday's league championship decider between Glentoran and Linfield.

The Irish Professional Footballers' Association also plan to take ers' Association also plan to take their battle against the £10 maxi-mum wage to the Ulster High Court. Their sucretary Peter Court. Their secretary Peter Dornan, a Belfast solicitor said:
"The governing officials have given us a blunt no on every issue and they seem agreed there is no room for compromise."
But the Irish FA president Harry Cavan, said: "some of the things they want are just not on. They are modelling their demands on the Football League in England, but there can be no comparison when many of our

villain in less than a year

A stunned Ken Krighton dis-puted Sunderland's decision yester-day to brand him a fallure by day to brand him a raiser by dismissing him as their manager, along with his assistant, Frank Clark and I have been at the club 18 months and during that time we have got them promotion and then kept them in the first division," he said. " My record is there for all to see but I suppose you just have to accept these things in this business."

My Knighton and My Clark were . Mr Knighton and Mr Clark were called into the boardroom after training yesterday and told that after weeks of speculation, their short Roker Park reign was over. The strained neighbour better after weeks of speculation, their short Roker Park reign was over. The thinly-disguised private battle between the ciub's youngest, manager and the militonaire chairman, Tom Cowie, is thought to be at the root of Mr Knighton's dismissal.

"The chairman just said that he could not let-the present attention continue," Mr Knighton said. "If you want to know what situation he was referring to, you'd better ask him." Mr Cowie was unavailable for comment after sanctioning the appointment of Tomany Docherry's son, Mick, as caretakermanager for the last four games of the season. Sunderland need a maximum five points to ensure first division survival.

Mr Knighton, who admits this season has been a struggle after the early success of reaching eighth place in the league, added:

"It's the first time I have been sacked and it's not a pleasant feeling. I've got a family to feed and look after."

Saturday's 2—0 defeat at Stoke, Sunderland's third on the trot and their twelfth in 13 away games, spelt the end for Mr Knighton.

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Knighton.

He knew his position was insecure, whatever results his side achieved on the field, after his row at Christmas with Mr Cowie over free turkeys for the players. over free turkers for the players. Mr Knighton was also angry at having to foot the bill for overnight accommodation for his players out of his own pocket.
Mr Knighton is learning that a year is a long time in football.
Less than 12 months ago he was being halled as a hero in the north east when Sunderland beat West Ham United 2—0 to finish second in the second division.

Today's fixtures FIRST OIVISION: Aston Ville Instich Town; Liverpool v Manche United. pawich lowers and the present for the present nd les: Swanse v Wresham. COTTISK SECOND DIVISION! Bre-v Queen of the South. ISM LEACUR! Banger v Ballytonia

comparison when many of our dozen league clobs are only taking about £300 a week in sate receipts."

England's quest for saving grace

Cricket Correspondent Kingston, April 13

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For the third time in a row
England are spending their Test
match rest day wondering how to
get away with a draw. At Bridgetown in the third Test, they falled
to do it; in Antigna in the fourth,
they managed it with the help of
a day's rain; here in the fifth,
in which they will start their
second inmings tomorrow morning
needing 157 to make West Indies
bat again; the odds are heavily
against them.

Boycott, who took to his bed
yesterday after being sick at lunchtime, is expected to be fit to open
the imnings. Botcher, who was not
in the field for the last 300 runs
of the West Indian innings, will
also but though under the handcap of a pulled high muscle.
Botham and Jackman both have a
hand strapped up. Of those with
nothing the matter with them, only
Gooch has any real reason to be
confident about making runs. West
Indies are playing with such confidence that, given two fine days,
it, will require England's best
batting performance of the series
to hold out.

One simple comparison points to
the overwhelming advantage which
Lloyd enjoys over Botham. On
the first day, of this fifth Test
much he made his Hirst, bowling
change, after 10 overs when England were 31 for no wicket. The
bowler he brought on was Croft.
When, on the second day, West
Indies batted and England changed
their bowling after 14 overs, when
Greenidge and Haynes had made
38 together, it was Gooch's only
That Croft's first four overs
cost 33 runs and Gooch's only

came on.

That 'Croft's first four overs cost 33' runs and Gooch's only three were maidens is neither here

three were maidens is neither here nor there except that it would probably never happen again. The fact is first, with his present attack against England's batting, Lloyd has simply to turn the switches and wait for results. He is in the position of all successful captains of having the bowlers for the job. His ingenuity is seldom called upon.

'This is not to say that I wish England, too, fielded four fast bowlers, even of the calibre of Holding, Garner, Croft and Marshall. Heaven farlid that they ever should, at any rate as a regular policy. What they need, all the same, and need badly, are two on three more with the same promise as Dilley Not supprissingly, in view of this, Middlesser's signing of Jeff Thomson has been

greeted out here with some scorn.

No one needs a good England side more than the counties, iteing, as they are, heavily dependent upon revenue from test neathers no one, you may be sure, grumbles more at England's present failings than the committees of Sussex and Middlesex. Yet what do they do? Sussex opened their attack with a South African and a Paldstani, and Middlesex with a South African and a Paldstani, and Middlesex with a South African and a West Indian and an Australian in 1981. In 1982 all being well; they will not be allowed to.

The point is that there are counties—and Sussex and Middlesex are not the only two—prepared, day in and day out, to open their bowling at both ends with players ineligible for England rather than give at least one Englishman every encouragement to make the grade.

At Taunton last season I watched Bill Merry, who is 25 take several wickets for Middlesex against Somerset and look in the process as though he had something to work on. For most of the season he was kept out

or the Middlesex side by Daniel and yan der Bill. In Sman Hughes, Middlesex also have a real fast bowling prospect. How must they have felt when they heard the news about Thomson? The same as the selectors, I imaging bored by such self-induserice.

Players vote for rest days

an overseas player, must:

The proposal by Geoff Boycott that there should always be a rest day in Test matches after the 1981 season was approved by the annual meeting of the Cricketers' Association in Birmingham yesterday. They also of applying for registration he ing granted, that in the experiment with Sunday play continues, Test travel under that British passport and with Sunday play continues, Test travel under that British passport and with should start on Friday with port, where seconded by Em Botham, player registered with an English the England captain, and David Gower and had the backing of all the England captain, and David Gower and had the backing of all the England county must, before registration for markes this summer at Test matches this summer at Test and County Cricket Board are confident that radio coverage of important matches, will continue meet season despite an argument refusing to meet the board's demination of overseas players by the counties.

Phil Carrick, of Yorkshire, promoted a marketing manager, to be only 52,003 a year. If agreement for the radio coverage—which the rest and provided a marketing manager, to be only 52,003 a year. If agreement for the radio coverage—which two-part resolution almed a and for £195,000 for a new three-rightening up the qualifications to play for England and the registrations of overseas players by the idea is said by Peter Lush, the idea is included in the full package—which posed: "Any individual born includes the 1981 Angulan tour resident overseas wisning to be registered for the purposes of county cricket as English and so; a countact involving reduced coverage. COVERAGE.

Old soldiers begin a careful advance

By Rex Bellamy

Cennis Correspondent The council of the Lawn Tennis Association, the equivalent of an ageing, batle-weary army, decided yesterday, that their total force-should remain intact at 116 but that the age limit should progressively be lowered from 75 to 70 by careful demobilization over a carried of five versus that are market. period of five years; that as many of the troops as possible should in future be mustered for three in future be mustered for three drill parades a year instead of five (reducing the sumual cost of such parades to less than £3,000); and thur a squad of picked men should be delegated for active. That exaggerated metaphor was suggested by the LTA decision to reduce the number of council meetings and transfer the management of British tenuis to a newly-constituted '12-man' board who will meet at least once a mount. Much more radical—and let us give them credit for it—was a decision to reduce the number of standing committees from 12 to five and constituent members from eight or nine to six.

The board, four stronger that it specifies of semantics. The LTA needs to be, will go out on propose to discard the practice of manoeuvres immediately bus will have be genuine power unif the entire scheme of reorganisation is immediately bus will have be genuine power unif the entire scheme of reorganisation is man. One man is to do both jobs, approved by the LTA kinual. The title of president is to be recalled.

All this arises from a Government of the LTA deserve a marks of seven but of 10, an encouraging part on the back, and a recommendation to consider even more dation to consider even more dation to consider the maximum been reached in 24 hours.

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been reached in 24 hours. Jim Cochrans, chairman of the council, said yesterday 4. We have not agreed with servicing the report said but it gave at the opportunity to look at offselves. But for the report, i.s. not believe we would have due that. I hope that this restructuality, and starting the board, will it a step forward rather than sideways or backwards." It was, it; agreed, just the first step. He assimated

dation to consider even more drastic changes. It may arouse some cynticists that the maximum age of the people ultimarely responsible for a strenuous sport is in he reduced, gradually, to 70. But no one can be first nominated for the council Str an age exceeding 'S5 and any president appointed must be under 65. The old soldiers are moving in the right direction.

forward rather than adjectory of the first round. B. Jarstry (Monary) beat that the first step. He estimated that the necessary recognisation would take five years.

Mr. Cochrane has been noundary beat a Gimenos (Spain) beat a Gi

Sponsors ask the family for support

By Rex Bellamy Squash Rackers Correspondent British squash becomes ever more firmly established as the rival of tennis rather than its ally. Debenhams have not renewed sponsorship of the annual tennis sponsorship of the annual tennis tournament at the Cumberland Conversely they announced yesterday—coincidentally, the first day of the Hampstend event—that they are to support a new series of British squash championships for family pairs. To enhance the entertainment value of the later rounds, these will be embelished by a professional series in which 10 men will compete for a prize fund of about \$8,000.

The squash calendar is already so congested with such a diversity of events, that it is difficult to derise distinctive new competitions

zevise distinctive new competitions agerse distinctive new competitions and find celebrities with the time to play in them. The Dehenhams event is unusual because it stresses the possibilities of squash as a family game—a role more often associated with tenns and badmin-

The application of this stimulating concept invites criticism in that, at least in its first season, 25 per cent of British players— 25 per cent of British players—women—will play a subsidiary part. The professional competition is merely for men and at the expense of mothers, the family event is restricted to four classes instead of the logical six. Club, Hampstead,

The event will be contested from September to March. The family championships, in which the early rounds will be played at competitors' clubs, will have four classes: for father and son, father and daughter, husband and

four classes: for father and son, lather and daughter, husband and wife, and brother and sister. Like will will play singles against like—for example, father against father, and son against son.

Should competing pairs win a match each and also finish level in terms of sames the pair with match each and also finish level in terms of games, the pair with the biggest combined total of points will be the winners. Imperfect though the scheme may be, it represents an exciting competitive challenge.

Successful pairs will progress to regional, area, and national finals. At the regional level, they will be joined in January by the 10 professionals, who will compete on an all-play-all basis, in two groups of five, at 20 locations from Stirling to Plymouth. The two leading players in each group will then move on to semi-final and final rounds. The professionals will be Awad, Aziz, Safwat (Egypt), Briars, Kenyon (Britain), Williams, Bowditch, Brumby (Australia), and Browniee and Norman, New Zealand).

WOKING: World Cun tournament: third-place play-off, M. Aumed (Pakes-am) and 475 R. Thorne: Australia beer a Barrington iliciand; and Miss Rarrington (C. 2) and Thorne best Conswell (2-7, 19-5, 7-5).

Basketball

Strong England glimpse a place in finals

By Nicholas Harling The ease with which England swept through the qualifying round of the European championships in Jersey has persuaded them that they may after all, have a chance of reaching the finals for the first time.

time.

To qualify for the finals, which are to be held in Czechoslovakia in June. England must finish emong the top four teams in next month's last qualifying round in Turkey, where the opposition in their group will come from the hosts. Belgium, Finland, Hungary and Greece. Alebough England have fared badly against all five countries in past meetings their coath. Vic Ambler, takes comfort from the fact that no other English coach has ever had such a strong squad.

Certainly there was no evidence

a strong squad.

Certainly there was no evidence at St Helier, where the tournament was sponsored by Modern Hotels, to suggest that England's ability, potential and confidence is in anything but a healthy state. The last victory, over Austria, was the most surprising, not so much for the result but for the manner of its achievement. manner of its achievement.

It had been widely expected that England and Austria would arrive at 'Sunday's game knowing that whichever team succeeded would be the one to advance. As both nations had won their previous three games that was the position but few can have expected England to qualify with such conviction.

Only during one anxious period when they allowed the Austrians to wipe out eight points of a 10-point deficit were England seriously threatened. Then the calming influence of their captain, Dan Lloyd, helped them back into a position of such dominance that they eventually won comfortably 71-77.

Much of Ambler's satisfaction stemmed from the fact that so many players contributed to the success, a different one emerging in each of the four games to lead the scoring. On Sunday it was the turn of the Sundaylin was the turn of the Sundaylin and player. McCauley, with 20 points, followed closely by Dan Lioyd. In previous games David Lloyd, Day and Tatham proved themselves the best mark men.

The players will have a fortulation off before reassembling on April 27.

Yesterday's results

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RUGBY UNION: Neath 12, Macetes
14; Newbridge 17; Newport 8.

Young pretender has time on his side

From John Hennessy Golf Correspondent Augusta, April 13

The result of the Masters tournament last evening adds piquancy to the United States Open championship to be played at Merion, Philadelphia, in June. at merion, Philaderphia, in June.

Tom Watson, winner here for
the second time, said last night:

"I badly want that one." Jack
Nicklaus, second here at the side
of Johnny Miller two strokes
behind Watson's 280, is the
United States holder and, although United States holder and, although
the question was not put to him,
would surely have answered: "I
badiy want to keep that one." He
is a proud man. What he did say
at the presentation ceremony was:
"Thir is getting to become too
much of a habit, young Watson.
I'll be after you."

Note the same of the same the I'll be after you."

Nicklaus, at 41, is 10 years the older. Four years ago, both here and at the British Open at Turnberry, he was mastered by Watson. The experience is beginning to hart, especially as the two players seem to have respect for each other rather than affection. other rather than affection,
It has something of the ring of
Palmer v Nicklaus at a time of
Nicklaus's growing ascendency
over a popular lavourite. With
Palmer s faded character and
Nicklaus beginning to command
popular appeal, it is Watson's turn
to assume the role of unwelcome
intruder. Watson was asked yesterday if he felt, the gallery were
colder to him than they ought to
be. "You fellows can unswer that
better", he said. To an outsider
looking in, it is something of a
mystery.

down Hilmar Kenty twice and pounded his face into a bloody mess to win the World Boxing Association lightweight championship by a maminous 15-round here last night. The baby-faced O'Grady stood in his corder before the start of the fight blowing bubbles with green bubble gum. However, from the opening he was anything but playful.

The contest was action-packed from the start with Kenty fighting dogedly in every round and scoring with enough punches to win many contests. However, O'Grady landed even more hit harder and also scored well to the body.

We have now reached a suitable compromise that will have to suffice until somebody achieves the grand slam of all four "majors". Watson holds the British Open and the Masters, Nicklaus the US Open and PGA championship. Golf devotees in British would certainly lead towards Watson's titles and he now, predictably, was asked about going on to the grand slam of all four. "I think somebody will do it, but it's a billion to one chance," he replied. We have now reached a suitable replied.

Sandy Lyle, with a fine found of 73 after a weak start, finished joint 28th and therefore missed joint 28th and therefore missed automatic qualification next year by only four places. Two strokes made all the difference.

A winning margin of two strokes among the leaders suggests a tame finish. It did not seem it at the time; with Nicklaus running into birdie form with a four at the 15th and a two at the 16th and Watern it the hunker at the 17th. Watson in the bunker at the 17th: colder to him than they ought to be. "You fellows can answer that better", he said. To an outsider looking in, it is something of a mystery.

I would have thought that Watson had all the attributes of like bunker at the lith, which had extorted two strokes from him the day before. Anything was possible. In the end Nicklaus, playing ahead, could not get near enough for a three at the last and Watson, his nerves rock steady, played a

Atlantic City, April 13.—Sean of Grady, a 22.v22r-old "vetteran" fate might be in store for the man form Oklahoma City. Later in that down Hilmar. Kenty twice and pounded his face into a bloody mess to win the World Boxing of beads that ripped open a cut Association lightweight championship by a manimous 15-round here last night. The baby-faced O'Grady stood for his corner men kept the cut in control throughout the contest.

Although Kenry had to crawl

win meny contests. However, O'Grady landed even more, hit harder and also scored well to the body.

O'Grady won the title a little more than five mooths after he failed to win the WBC crown from Jim Watt in Scotland.
O'Grady suffered an 11-stitch cut on the forehead from a clash of hea switched from May 13 heads in the 10th round of that bout, which was stopped in the Winners' Cup final lat night for May 1.

Although Kenty had to crawl of the floor twice and was in trouble numerous times, he came close to withing in the 11th round. In that round, the 25-year-old champion from Detroit caught O'Grady flush on the jaw with a right hand. O'Grady dropped his hands to his side, wavered, then pattered backwards into the corner.

a popular hero here. He is a winner, which every American loves; he is clean cut, charming and well behaved; and he has guis—a compatriot, I would think, to be proud of. If he lacks Trevino's extrovert personality, who does not? If he lacks Nicklaus's imposing record of achievements, again who does not? But time is on his side. The people may yet come to love him and, in turn, resent the appearance of a new young pretender to his throne.

We have now reached a suitable superb bunker shot and then read and stroked the potr with inevitable precision. Once he had driven well on the last tee it would have been too out of character for a man of his sterling qualities to take five, let alone six. And so it was.

Judgment needs to be reserved on the new greens of bent grass. On the new greens of bent grass.

We have now reached a suitable

Rugby Union

O'Grady ruthless in victory Hall among nine new Barbarians

Nine uncapped players have been invited to join the Barbarians been invited to join the Barbarians on their annual Easter tour to South Wales over the weekend, among them the Leicester centre, Brian Hall, who was injured in his club's John Player Cup semi-final win over London Scottish. He is one of nine new Barbarians.

His club colleague, Cusworth, is likely to return from the tour. In Easter Monday so that he can play in Leicester's home game with Pourtypool. Easter Monnay so that he can pay in Leicester's home game with Pontypool.

Barbadians Party: G. Evans (Macsieg: W. M. H. Bese (Cambridge University: J. Carleton (Urtell: S. Munro (Mart): A Swift: (Swansas) (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): A G. D. Habbadi (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): A G. D. Habbadi (Mart): A Swift: (Mart): (Mart)

Motor racing

Brabham brings Piquet home to face the storm

Buenos Aires, April 13.—Nelson Piquer's overwhelming win in yesterday's Argentine-Grand Prix has brought a flood of protests from formula one car constructors. The 28-year-old Brazilian's victory has renewed his rivals' indignation about his Brabham 7.49 with its compoversial bridging austension. controversial hydraulic suspension. controversial hydraulic suspension.

Trouble also continues to follow-Colin Chapman, the head of Lotus. whose congroversial new car raced under appeal, coming sixth after being banned from the third. Grand Prix in a row on the grounds that its twin-chassis does not conform to Grand Prix rules. Chapman left Buenos Aires in a rage after being fined \$100,000 for remarks which the International Motorsport, Federation president, Jean-Marie Balestre said discredifed the world chapman's outcredified the world championship.

The fine follows Chapman's outburst against what he called pressure groups which were trying to stop him racing. Among others, Chapman had ariticized the Brabhams of Piquet and his Mexican co-driver Hector Rebaque. The other participating teams signed a protest against the fine.

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FISA's appeal tribunal is to make a decision about the Lotus on April 23. The Brabham controversy could take longer to clear up, because although it conforms to new regulations, it has a hydraulic suspension system which allows it to share the ground in movement.

solows it to shave the ground in movement.

The FISA executive, which will have to consider the protests of Williams and Renault against the car on Friday, says it is powerless to check whether the car conforms to the six-centimetre clearance rule when it is in motion. "Our engineers are working on an electronic device which will-allow us to check vehicles which they are running, but pending that we can only say that the Brabham does conform to the rules," said Mr Balestre.

Remault, who yesterday picked up their first grand prix points this season, placing cars third and fifth, added to the atmosphere of discontent by claiming that the race winner was the second-placed Carlos Reutemann of the Williams team because he was the first home of the "legitimate cars".

Brabham's triumpit tould have been even more spectacular had Rebaque's car, not developed a short-circuit which car his power when he was lying second. Rebaque admitted he was astonished how well his Brabham held the track, enabling him to reach an average speed of near 125 miles an hour. This superiority proves, the car's detractors claim, that the Brabham' is using Megal means to achieve a ground effect. The race was a procession with Piquet leading almost from the means to achieve a ground effect. The race was a procession with Figure leading almost from the start. He filmshed 47 seconds sheed of the local hero Carlos Reutemann; who now has a three point lead over his team colleague. Alan Jones in the world championship standings.

Equestrianism *

Badminton restores faith after the unacceptable

atter the unacceptable fire of horse trials, the injuries is horses, was mercifully conspicales for its absence from Badminion last weekend. The happy aimsphere which prevailed at Burghley last year after the disaspers of the alternative Olympics in France was ence again in evidence, in the ultimate good of the sport.

The course was 'indeed watti forestight, and though there were 24 falls in all the fitter Crooked's fence, where the glief could fixer accumulated, watti forestight, and though there were accumulated, watti forestight, and the second fine of their severity at the Kome Olympics, II years and the Coffri, whose his, they is almost at long comparatively safe was readered in the most impressal forest part of the world championships at Prunchestown is 1970, where fence 29 combined a spread with a drop, and the second fence at the European champion, Marglodd of New Zealand with Jocata, and for Lester Piggott's dairplant Mauréen with Barnew'II, appeared by Centery Pacific Airlines for a year. There were four immersions at the Lake, which must have grarified the bugs crowds who saways gather here. Though three horses were sliminated the proposed champion has left a sour usste for several mounts and cansed a patent of young horses to be left at being on the proposed champion has left a sour usste for several mounts and cansed a patent of the proposed champion has left a sour usste for several mounts and cansed a patent of young horses to be left at being on the proposed champion. Though three horses were sliminated the proposed champion has left a sour usste for several mounts and cansed a patent of young horses to be left at the proposed champion.

Duke for Royal Windsor

The Dule of Edinburgh and his riders at the show, sponsored by two team folleagues, George Bow Rarrygold, at Hickstead this weekman and Boyn Holder, who won the gold in last years. Gilles Bertram de Balanda, who is World Cathinge Divining champion and the Royal Windsor Horse show world Carrently leading the European shids, was be competing again at the Royal Windsor Horse show world Cap in Berningham. Nine mext mostly like for mext week's Volvo world Cap in Berningham. Nine overseas harions will be represented by the five day store.

The pale of Edinburgh and other Holder sams will be competing Balast drivers from the five day store. The competition is one of the varied events at the Royal Edindsor Show which has attracted show jumpers from all dwer the world to compete against such Bradley and Liz Edgar.

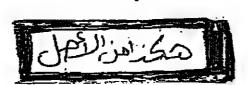
They is another big international Badminton Federation and its rival, the World Badminton Reuter.

At Esserved seats in the mata stands have been sold for the Prudadial Trophy match between English, and Australia at Heading. has alcordy been taken.

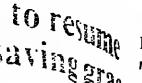
Tickets in demand

Marlow western-bound Months of fund raising by

Marlow Rugby Club reach fruition tomorrow when 46 players and officials leave for a Elane 3, the receipts being 10 day four of Texas. Morlow will than £15,500. For the third play their hosts, Fort Worth, that hastering on July 16; Austin, Dallas Harlequins and a combined Dallas Fort Worth XV.



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To-Agori-Mou is money in the bank leading up to five of the six races on the programme. This does not beat him at level weights? The answer must be that they cannot, and they cannot an answer must be that they cannot, and they cannot, and they cannot are they cannot an answer must be that they cannot an answer must be that they cannot are they cannot are they cannot an answer must be that they cannot are they cannot

Ry Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent
The Tote Jackpot is certain to arouse a considerable amount of interest at Newmarket today on this the first day of the Craven meeting because the pool already amounts to £64,296. This has been carried on from Newbury last Saturday when the results again succeeded in baffing all the aspiring clairvoyants.

So far this current pool has

spiring clarvoyants.

So far this current pool has survived three days at Doncaster, nother three at Liverpool, one at Ascot and two at Newbury with the result that this is the largest amount carried forward since 1976. For those who may have forzotten what the Jackpot is all about it entails trying to forecast all the sir winners and the bet has in be struck before the first race begins.

So, the intrepid are denied the opportunity to momitor the hetting

leading up to five of the six rates on the programme. This does not make life any easier especially when one of the races involved is like the Stuntney Maiden Stakes in which most of the runners have never run.

No one will see any marks for ners have never run.

No one will get any marks for guessing which horse will be most people's banker today. It must surely be To-Agori-Mou to win the Craven Stakes, which has been sponsored again by Ladbroke Leisure Ltd. If the Free Handicap means anything at all To-Agori-Mou has this prize at his mercy. And, having seen him looking so outstandingly well at Pulborough not long ago, I have no intention of looking elsewhere.

orated, which I doubt, knowing how well he has been going in his gallops recently, or unless he has an off day or if the others have improved out of all recognition during the winter. I can offer no evidence to suggest they have.

Dalby Mustang and Tahoe, who olds in Scandinavia last season, To-Agori-Mou's reputation. However, they have both been beaten already this season by my selection's stable companion, Recitetion, in the 2,000 Guineas Trial at Salisbury and it is hard to envisage them doing better against the stable's first string. them doing better stable's first string.

Our Newmarket correspondent

thinks that saushrer will the well having seen him go nicely in a gallop on Saturday with Centurius, Ghadeer and Rhus. However, I think that it is fair to say that if he managed to beat To-Agori-Mou it would be an enormous surprise. The would be an enormous surprise. The winner of the Steichworth Maiden Stakes could come from a short-list comprising Hillsdown Lad, Hit Record and Music City. The fact that Hillsdown Lad has had a race already this season could be the deciding factor. It could easily give hen the edge on fitness.

If Bold Fort is beaten in the Stunmey Maiden Stakes it might be by either Kamal or Ghendug. neither have run. Kamal is the big local tip, but in this instance I just prefer Ghenting, who will be ridden by Lester Piggott for his hrother-in-law, Robert Arm-

One of the classics in the point-to-point calendar is threatened by a sale

The Heythrop Hunt go in search of a host

Fox Farm, near Stow-on-the-Wold, the home of the Heythrup Hunt point-to-point for the past 29 years, is for disposal, It was in 1938 that Bing Lowe took on the tenancy of the farm from the Arkell family, and in 1953 that the Heythrop moved their point-to-point to this spectacular undulating course on the roof of the Cotswolds.

Cotswolds. Mr Lowe is to retire from farm. ing this summer, and at the point. n point last Tuesday Valerie Willes, senior Joint master of the Hunt, presented him with an engraved glass decapter to mark

With its superb setting, the Heythrop has become one of the point-to-pointing public's most popular meetings. The four-mile

Newmarket programme

[Television (ITV): 3.30, 3.0 and 3.30 races]

2.0 STETCHWORTH STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £2,767: 6f)

2.30 STUNTNEY STAKES (2-y-o maidens colts and geldings

Boid Fort, R. Holimshead, 9-0 Caris's Last, A. Coodwill, 9-0 Caris's Last, A. Coodwill, 9-0 Caroning, R. Armstrong, 9-0 Chonling, R. Armstrong, 9-0 Hillies Pilot, S. Manbury, 9-0 Holim Prince, B. Hanbury, 9-0 Holim Prince, B. Hanbury, 9-0 Holim Pilot, 9-0 Holim Pilot, 9-0 Pamparine, S. Kills, 9-0 Swift Engounter, R. J. Williams, 9-0 Turl, B. Swill, 9-0

5-3 Bold Fort. 5-1 Pamparino, 6-1 Chris's Lad. 7-1 Ghet 13-1 Turi. 14-1 Swift Encounter, 16-1 Ghawar, 20-1 others.

4.5 CRAWFURD HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,939: 7f)

URD HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,939:

Bearrowmenwiki (2), N. Vigors, y-5

Bedden, B. Swiii, y-5

Redden, B. Swiii, y-5

Mandav (0), J. Hindey, y-5

Mandav (0), J. Hindey, y-6

Courneys, R. Armstrong, y-1

Durchell, R. Armstrong, y-1

Airshy, B. Hollinshead, B-12

Butten Top (CD), N. Callachan, k-12

Won Erlach, I. Durr, B-12

Butten Top (CD), N. Callachan, k-12

Won Erlach, I. Durr, B-11

Miss St. Mawes, B. Hobbs, B-11

Master Colfer (CD), J. SutOlife, B-8

Regency Prince, P. Rohan, B-5

Glaconstrolin (C), M. Jarvis, B-0

Cloudwalter, G. Balding, B-0

Swedish Rhapsody, G. P. Cordon, 7-12

Sabbington, R. Armstrong, 7-7

Slair Issue, J. Winter, 7-7

Clory, Giannutti, Alrship, B-1

Swedish Rhapsody, Scarrowmenwick, 14

n Top, 20-1 others.

VEDEN STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies:

OO- Atways Eirlys, N. Calleghan, 8-11

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Houself, G. P.-Gordon, 8-11

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Lady Beg Mins, M. Geell, 8-11

Lady Jaconian, W. Herned, 8-11

Lady Manatte, J. Willier, 8-11

Daso, State of the William of

3-1 Lady Be Mine. 4-1 Habelia, 5-1 Lady Jamine, 7-1 Carista, B-1 Teleprity 10-1 Unbiased, 13-1 Biting Wit, 16-1 Appachee Love, 20- others.

£10,091: 1m)

3.0 LADBROKE RACING HANDICAP (£2,401: 12m)

_ 3.30 CRAVEN STAKES (Group III: 3-y-o colts and geldings

2.0 STETCHWORTH STAKES (3-y-0 maidens: £2.76

10.1 3- Amr. To Kil. L. Cumbin. 5-0

10.2 0- Break Spark, B. Hills. 5-0

10.3 0- Break Spark, B. Hills. 5-0

10.4 0- Chief Moore, B. Woodhan, 5-0

11.1 434022- Hillsdown Ead, G. Huffer, 5-0

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11.1 0- Hillsdown Lad, G. Huffer, 5-0

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open race for the Lord Ashton of Hyde's Cup attracts horses from hunts all over the country, and is known as one of the season's "classics".

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here was an exciting finish to the race this year, when Nostra damus, owned by John Sumner, a steward of the Jocky Club, and ridden by his son-in-law, lan McKie, won by a head fro Richard Shepherd's fast-finishing Long Lane. Long Lane won the Fox-

£828 : 5f)

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Wolverhampton card

2.30 SPRING STAKES (Div I: 3-y-o maidens:

Glimmer, H. Price, R. 11 Paul Eddery S. 2. 200-3 Jade Empress, K. Ivory, S.11 Lesson 7. 2030-6 Severelya Casile, K. Ivory, R.11 Lesson 7. 200-3 The Hayton Girls, M. James, S.11 Ropers 1000- Vaguety Divine, C. Hunter, R.11 Ropers 1. Glimmer, 100-30 Khaleol, S.1 Rythos, 11-2 Jades, R.1 The Huyton, Girls, 10-1 Vaguety Divine, 13-1 (gn Castle, 16-1 others.

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000- Miss Faicon, B. Cambran, Anderson 7 1.

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0400- Me Ne Heldings, P. Fielden, 3-0-2

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0400- Missing Fields, D. Weeden, 3-0-2

0400- Winking Fields, D. Weeden, 3-0-2

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R. Holfinshead, 4-10-0 Carcary 7 4 Gaylard, K. Ivory, 4-9-10 Howard 6 reign Tower, W. Charles, 4-9-7

3.0 BROCKTON HANDICAP (Selling: £621;

for the last time.

The ladies' open race for the Lyon Trophy, over three and a half miles, carries almost as much prestige as The Lord Ashton of Ryde's Cup. The first time 1 saw Prince Rock in action was when he beat the hot favourite, Horoscope, in this race in 1975. I also remember Gillian Pearce scorching round the course on Plummere Plain, a past winner of the Whitbread Gold Cup, on the brick-hard going he loved. This year's Lyon Trophy produced an even closer finish than the men's four-miler, when the 1930 winner, Night School, held off Never Flap by a short head.

Ian Reid

Swift points Swan Princess at the top

Brian Swift, the Epsom Trainer, has high hopes that Swan Princess will be a contender for classic or sprint honours this summer. In the Privy Councillor Stakes at Folkestone yesterday she produced the sort of reappearance expected of a championship aspirant. of a championship aspirant.
The filly appeared to stay the
six furfongs trip with ease,
prompting her trainer to say:
"I'm tempted to run her in the
Guineas, but six furfongs at Folkestone is a far cry from a mile
across the health."
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Swan Princess made her custo-Swan Princess made her custo-mary lightning break from the stalls, and blazed the trail at a fast pace ahead of Chummy's Special, with the odds-on favour-ite, Welham Green, close on their holls. Taify Thomas kept her going for a comfortable length and a half success

from Melbourne, who bred the celebrated Australian champion Kingston Town, winner of the Sydney Cup and that country's top all-aged race, the Mackingon

all-aged race, the Mackindon Stakes.

Lester Piggont's first visit to Wolverhampton for 10 seasons brought him a 246—1 treble on BA. Poundstretcher, Prince Sandro and Canaille, Piggont's 1981 total is now eight, one behind Greville Starkey. Piggont's victory on newcomer BA Poundstretcher in the Ryton Maiden Stakes made it a day that will never be forgotten a day that will never be forgotten for the owners, a syndicate of seven British Airways stewards and one stewardess, he 2,500 guineas fillly was their very first runner. first runner.

They had their auxious moments, however. To begin with, piggort had to mount the 14—1 shot in the stalls. Then, when he came to challenge the favourite, Chellaston Park, at the distance, BA Poundstructure defined richt. BA Poundstretcher drifted right across the path of Alpha Omega,

4.0 BIRCHES BRIDGE STAKES (3-y-o maidens £828 : 1m 1f)

Maisbury, P. Walwyn, 9-0 . . 1. John Illini, B. Hanbury, 9-0 Raym Somel, C. Hritzin, 9-0 . E. John Barney Kempinski, C. Nelson, 8-11 Cave Divar, F. Beeson, 8-11 Rogers 12

B Dusy Mise, M. McCormack, 8-11 Salmon 2

Dusy Mise, M. McCormack, 8-11 Newmen 3 12

11 Olderfreet, W. H-Essa, 8-11 Young 7

Petra's Beal, R. Hollinshead, 8-11 Young 7

12 Sugaran, D. Wintle, 8-11 Young 7

13 Sugaran, D. Wintle, 8-11 Young 18

15 Sujaran, D. Wintle, 8-11 Joulinson 8

2-1 Halbury, 100-50 Wise Streety, 8-1 Somel, 13-2 (Diderfreet, 8-) Barney Kempinski, 10-1 Dusty Isles, 12-1 Hills. 16-1 others.

4.30 MOLINEUX HANDICAP (£1,025: 7f)

440-0 Grofthall (D), A. Balding, 4-10-0 400-0 Reval Connection, J. Bradley, 5-10-0 Harmia (D), J. Winter, 4-9-15
Kemberley 1 Princess Koflysh (C), W. Guest 49-13 Gunn Swing The Are (D), D. Weeden, 4-9-13 00-00 Bits Jane (B), D. R. Jones, 4-9-12 040-0 Young Croftle (B), R. Morrie, 4-9-10 Morris 13

D300- Marries Boy, M. Haynes, 4-9-4 Blanks 8
Petiared (CS), N. Vigora, 7-9-5 Petiared (CS), N. Vigora, 7-9-1
Q000- Turbe, A. W. Jones, 6-11. MCREY 12
Q0-20 Turbe, A. W. Jones, 6-12 Edder, 5-6
Q030- Tower Win, C. Bentstee, 4-9-10. Fox 3
L-3 Miss Miraballe, 100-30 Sky Jumn, 6-1 Docklende, Princess Kollyah, 8-1 Hormas, 9-1 Marties Boy, 10-1
Rell, 12-1 Cinni, 10-1 others. 0000- Lady Romeks, S. Wiles, 3-0.2 5plak 7 7 10 00-00 Mr Money Bags, R. Morris, 5-8-10 14 17 000-0 Penist, D. Ancil, 3-8-0 ... B. Jones 12 20 Miva Gaylord, 5-1 Lauking, 11-2 Zobo, 6-1 Winking Rel Brahms and Lives, 6-1 Frank Stowart, 10-1 22 gn Tower, Miss Louise, 12-1 Harry Lawrence, 16-1 3.30 MUCH WENLOCK HANDICAP (£1,825: 5.0 SPRING STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o maidens:

000-0 Religion, R. Ward, 9-0 Salmon 7

Wolverhampton selections

Our Birthday (E), C. Benstend, 5-7-8

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1 200- On Edge (CD) J. Spoarine, 6-7-4 — 1

O00- Restless, Leev M. Price, 47-6 ... Bindle 13

O00- Steel Clay, L. Cottend, 7-7-7 ... Clark 6

Steel City, L. Cottend, 7-7-7 ... Clark 6

4003- Steel City, L. Cottend, 7-7-7 ... Hills 7

4000- Deteboy, K. Commisham-Brown, 6-1-7

O000- Cipey Princa, J. Tierney, 6-7-7 McKay 6

Brenans Circ. 3-1 Malvan, 100-30 Sporting Coversit. Greatest Edg. 8-1 Steel City, 9-1 Our Birthday, others. By Our Racing Correspondent 2.36 Glimmer, 3.0 Zobo, 3.30 Maiyan, 4.0 Halsbury, 4.30 Sky Jump, 5.0 HAYATO is specially recommended.

*Doublful runner

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.30 Byblos. 3.0 No No Holdings. 3.30 Sporting Covergirl. 4.0 Olderfleet, 4.30 Docklands. 5.0 Hayato.

Hamilton programme 2.15 AUCHINRAITH HANDICAP (Apprentices:

B 000- Churid's Sunshine, R., Flaher, 4-8-10

10 40-0 Brigadier Green, W. H. Williams, 4-8-8

11 302- Winter Sunshine (CD), P. Hasiam Color of the C

2.45 QUARRY HANDICAP (Selling: £793: 1m) 2.40 QUARKY HAMBILAP (Selling: 1793: Im)
2 00-03 Best Tradition, M. Naushtom, 4-9-0
3 430-0 Ecchinswill Oak, W. Guest, 4-9-0
1 3220- Hirsule, P. Aquita, 4-8-10-1.... Lowe 1
10 0000- Friths Folly, R. Hobson, 1-1... Nicholis 10
10 0000- Bilty Kip, R. Hobson, 4-8-4... Hidde R
13 042-0 Consent, J. Wicon, 3-8-2... Carillale 5
11 221-0 Audit (CD), G. Richards 3-8-2... Wood
16 00-0 Soliara, R. Stubis, 3-8-2... Wood
17 00-23 Maurica's Tip, M. Tompkins, 3-7-3. Webster
18 440-0 Sorpico (8), J. Berry, 3-7-7... Darley 11
11-4 Audit, 7-2 Maurice's Tip, 5-1 Consent, 6-1 Hiraute,
7-1 Best Tradition, 8-1 Ecchinswell Oak, 10-1 Soliara, 16-1 3.15 DECHMONT STAKES (3-y-o: Maidens:

Time-Table, 3-1 Willow Herb, 7-2 Carponiors Boy, Star Heading, 8-1 Lucky Time, 12-1 Arandar, 16-1 3.45 MIDDLEWARD HANDICAP (6f: £1,730)

Skin Dane (B), W. Musson, 8-9-1 Holgais 7
Meybrook (D), G. Richards, 5-8-14 filds
Russian Winter (CD, B), A. W. Janes.
Mahalook (B), C. Bell, 4-8-8-10 Wigham
Dopuny (D), J. Fitzerraid, 4-8-3 Cartoles
Blues, W. Guesi, 4-7-13 Mark Rimmer 4
Pagapas Eay (D), A. Jarys, 4-7-12 Lowe 1
Our Foxbar (C,D), M. Naughton, 6-7-11
Mercer 14 040-0 Secret Express (CD, H). R. Stubbs, 5-7-9 15 003-0 Royal But. I. Walker, 5-7-7 Chiguboun 6 0400- Setendid Surprise (C). W. H. Williams 20 1000- Eabs Sally (C), Peter Taylor, 3-7-7 1 2 7-2 Moybrook, 4-1 Pagapas Bay, 5-1 Skin Dren, 6-1 Russian Winter, 8-1 Blues, 12-1 Habalook, 14-1 Our Foxbar, 16-1 Deputy, 26-1 others,

4.15 CAMPSIE STAKES (2-y-o: Maidens: £635: O Prince Sirasse, P. Haslam, 9-0 ... Keitle & Marks Dream, T. Fairhurst, 8-3 ... Gray 1 Sonne Saiser, A. Jartis, 7-13 ... Lowa 3 Magaille, K. Stone, 7-15 Wigham 2 Wazille, K. Stone, 7-15 Wigham 2 Wazille, K. Stone, 7-15 Wigham 2 Toward T. Gants, W. H. Williams, 7-10mair T. 6 O Toward Lady, G. Bium, 7-13 Mark Rimmer 5 4 9-8 Bone Ballser, 7-2 Prince Surasse, 4-1 Toward Lady, 5-1 galls, 7-1 Marks Dream, 10-1 Royal Grani. 4.45 HOLYTOWN STAKES (3-y-o: Maidens: : £578 : 11m)

1 000-3 Auig Mung. Denys Smith, 0-0 Sidebottom 5 2 -0204 Luxembourg (8). R. Stubbs, 9-0 Websier 4 000-2 Rheingold's Gift, C. Britain, 9-0 Bredwen 5 5 0000- Deastlan, T. Craig, 6-11 Graham 7 6 000 Megs Cirl, A. W. Jones, 8-11 Hide 1 7-4 Rheingold's Gift, 14-4 Auig Mung, 5-1 Simingia, 8-1 Luxembourg, 14-1 Mogs Girl, 16-1 Denailan,

Hamilton Park selections By Our Racing Staff

2.15 Winter Sunshine. 2.45 Audit. 3.15 Carpenters Boy. 3.45 Moybrook. 4.15 Nagalia, 4.45 Rheingold's Gift.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Hay Ride. 2.45 Maurice's Tip. 3.15 Willow Herb. 3.45 Skin Deep. 4.15 Tower Lady. 4.45 Phairmeld's Cife.

TOTE: Wine. 35n: places, 17p. 28p. 18n. Dual F: Cl.49. CSF. \$1.49. H. Cecil at Newmarket. Nr. 1'sl. Welsh Noble 15-1: 44b. 15 ras. Notice 15-17 AIR. 10 ress.

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2.45 (2.48) CARBERRY STAKES
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Saint (Mrs M. Martey). R-11
C. Cray (9-1) 1
Karrel's Cam. A. Nesbilt (12-1) 2 Karen's Gem . A. Nosbitt (12-1) 2 Siconda Paul Eddery (3-1) 3

Steenda Paul Eddery 15-11 3 TOTE: Wan, 45p: places, 12p. 20m. 14p. Dual F: £1.53, CSF: £11.55, F. Fathural, at Middleham, 91, 31, Bay Sandlord 15-2 lay). Scottish Boy (15-2) 4th. 9 ran.

TAKACHINO, b h, by Don II—Face
Lili (G. McGuinnessi, 98-3
S. Websier (6-1) 1
Pounanies ... E. Hide (7-2) 2
Part-Ex ... A. Proud (9-1) 3 TOTE Win. 75p; places. 15p, 10p, 15n. Dual F. 75p; CSF: E2.76. T. Craig, at Dunbar, 5n hd. 5l. Pitten-crief II-4 fav. Polliform (14-1), 4th, 10 ran. 3.45 (3.46) ABERLADY HANDICAP (£475; Im 3f) 1£475; Im 30;

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Table tennis

Mrs Hammersley primed and ready for assault on the Asians

By A Special Correspondent
Chu Van Que bought a boat for £2,000, sold places in it for a modest fee, and sailed for a month from Hanoi to Hongkong. A son was born on the voyage; his escape continued until early last year to Newcastle-upon-Tyne, where, finally, his hoat came in. Last week the former North Vietnamese national coach was adding to his new life by helping the England squad in its final training camp, for the world championships in Novi Sad, Yugoslavia, starting today.

Though one of the sport's most outlandish stories, it is still no gimmick. English table tennis is as strong at international level as it has ever been, but still has small chance of challenging Asian dominance, and Chinese players in particular, if the Chinese have the will to do so, they are still the most likely country to produce world champions, in both individual and team events, both men and women.

world champions, in both individ-ual and team events, both men and women.

Chu was born in China, moved to Vietnam when he was a teen-ager and plays with a penholder grip. He knows the Chinese style of attack inside out and, at 35, still employs it well enough to give Jill Hammersley, England's num-ber one. A very hard time in-Jill Hammersley, England's number one, a very hard ume in training. Mrs Hammersley, number eight in the world but seeded fifth equal, is the only English player, and the only European woman, with a chance of making inroads upon the Asians, "Chu showed himself very good at quick hitting and then suddenly producing the unexpected drop shot", the England captain, Peter Simpson, said. This is the method that has often rendered Mrs Hammersley's classic Western style of that has often fendered Mrs Ham-mersley's classic Western style of chop-and-float defence vulnerable in the past. Now, for the first time, she has had extended prac-tice against it. "I still find it difficult to play against, but I shall do my best", she said. It will be interesting to see whether the is remitted to produce it.

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England's other number one,
Desmond Douglas, who recently led Dusseldorf to their fourth successive Bundesliga ritle, has also shown vulnerability to the Chinese in the past. He is also troubled by a kines injury that he has been quietly carrying for

troubled by a knee injury that he has been quietly carrying for some time. John Hilton, the England number two and European champion, has had to care for his wife and recently-born first child, which has limited his appearances at the camp.

Belove any of England's three best-known players have the chance to show whether they can overcome their problems by progressing individually, they have to belp England improve upon their disappointing team performances.

April 26.
England's men, with the former national champion. Paul Day, likely to gain the third spot, are capable of climbing several places up the table. So, too, are the women now that the selectors have not the most the missile of failing not made the mistake of falling to provide a recognized doubles

two years ago in Pyroneyang, North Korea, the men finished tenth and

Douglas: troubled by a niggling knee injury.

pair for matches containing four singles and one double. Linda Jarvis is back in harness with Mrs In the last world championships. lards is back in hargess with Mrs liammersley, with the second singles place open to contention. Despite Hungary's brilliant win in the men's final in Pyongyang, the Chipese will again start firm favourites to win both team exents. But now that the South Koreans, free of political discrimination, are able to compete once more, their women especially will be in with an excellent chance of making their mark on their the women as low as revelith. The team events continue until April 20 with one rest day before the individual events, which finish on of making their mark on their

Mountjoy keeps Charlton at bay

By Sydney Friskin

The all-star cast of smooker players at Sheffield's Crucible Theatre continued to entertain vast Thearre communed to enterrain vast audiences yesterday at the world professional championships, snon-sored and organized by Embassy. The curtain went up again in the afternoon to let Doug Mountley, of Wales, into the quarter final round. He bent Eddie Charlton, of Australia, by 13 frames to seven, Charlton, who at one stage was Chariton, who at one stage was well in the game at 6-0, could not match Mountjoy's fluency yesterday and the Welshman stretched his lead to 12-6. When

and 34. After the match Charlton and se. After the match charmon blamed his expensive international commitments for his loss of form, adding the with only three Australian professionals left at home there was little channe of proper match practice for the world charmonship.

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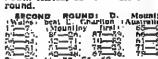
The day's best entertainment rested at the adjoining table, where the young Canadian, Kirk Stavens, and Dennis Taylor, of Northern Ireland, were locked in a tense second round battle for supremacy. When play began yesterday, Stevens led 9-7 hut had apparently not fully recovered from the shock of the previous right when Taylor won the 18th stretched his lead to 12—6. When he started the next frame with a break of 46, the end seemed in fight when Taylor won the 16th frame with a full clearance break sight, but when he missed an easy red, he gave Charlton the incentive to come back and win the frame with a full clearance break of 135, the highest so far in the tournament. It consisted of 15 reds, nine blacks, three pinks, two blues, one yellow and all the colours.

The next frame was closely fought, with Mountjoy just manage to stay ahead despite two breaks of 31 by Charlton; Mounting to stay ahead despite two breaks of 31 by Charlton; Mounting to stay ahead despite two breaks of 31 by Charlton; Mounting to stay ahead despite two breaks of 31 by Charlton; Mounting to stay ahead despite two breaks of 31 by Charlton; Mounting to stay and all the colours.

shorten the gap, but Stevens went into the Interval leading 11—9 and needing only two frames to win. Back came Taylor with a total clearance of 132. In another 29 minutes he had squared the match Taylor eventually won 13-11. In a quarter-final match which

four points with his opening shot. Still, Taylor won the frame to

began in the morning and will be spread over three days. Steve Davis and Terry Griffiths were level at four frames all. Griffiths, who was 4-2 behind, found his best fore frames. By the end of the morning the burly Canadian, Bill Werbeniuk, led Perrie Mans, of South Africa, 11-5 in the second



Hockey

Ireland depend on withdrawal

of New Zealand Bombay, April 13.—Jeeland will join England in the lifth World Cup championship here next December If New Zealand drop out. Uncertainty has arisen over New Zealand's participation in the event, which lasts from December 29 to January 12, hacause there has been no official word from them.

Ireland, who failed by one place to qualify from the recent Intercontinental Cup championship in Kuola Lumpur, will be in the same pool 'A, if they compete, as Pakistan, the defeoding champions, West Germany, Spain, Argentina and Poland. Argentina and Poland.

England will be in pool 'B' along with India, the 1980 Olympic champions, the Netherlands, Austria, the Soviet Union and Malaysia. The Soviet Union, New Zealand and Malaysia were Kuala Lumpur.—Reuter.

Staying down under The New Zealand Rugby League player, Fred Ah Kuol, has decided to take up an Australian offer and not to play for Hull in this country. Ah Kuol, aged 23, is joining the North Sydney club.—Reuter.

For the record

Football

EASTERN DIVISION

Cycling

Elliott's good beginning From John Wilcockson

Le Touquet, April 13

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The 66 starters in today's prologue pime trial, which opened the fourth Sealink international race, had to battle through a cold sea mist, closing their eyes against sand blown off the beach as they raced along the Boulevard de la Plage here.

As expected it was the East German team, in their mist-grey skinsuits, that battled the hardest; the fastest was the Olympic silver medallist and former world team trial champion. Falk Boden. His winning time for the 1.5 miles was three minutes 33.2 seconds, almost tive seconds or about 75 yards better than his team colleague, Hans-Joachim Meisch, who took second place. The East German dominance was completed by Joerg Köhler and Andreas Petermann, who also finished in the top 10.

mann, who also finished in the top 10.

An encouraging fourth place was taken by the British 19-year-old Malcolm Elliott, He has performed well in track racing, in hill climbs and in long-distance road races and will prove a useful ally for his team leader, Bob Downs, the 1980 Scalink winner who took seventh place today.

With four riders in the first 12 Britain can view with optimism the week ahead, but it seems unlikely that they will be able to

match East Germany and Czechoslovakia in Thursday afternoon's
41-mile team trial between Basingstoke and Swindon. Times
recorded in this stage will count
towards the Individual classification, and it is probable that Boden
and his band will win this test by
perhaps five minutes, and emerge
the overall winners in Manchester
on Saturday.

Two lare changes to the announced teams have brought to the
starting line the 1976 Peace Race
winner. Hans-Joachim Hartnick
(East Germany), and the Czech,
Michel Klasa, who yesterday
won the five-day circuit of the
Ardennes. In this same race
klasa's compatriot, Milos Hrazdira, finished second and also won
the hill-climbing prize while
Rossislav Veteska finished fifth
after winning the final stage. after winning the final stage.

These will be some of the names
to look for when the race proper

unlikely that they will be able to

Baseball

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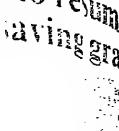
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Basketball

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Tennis

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Michigan and the same

435 ELVEDEN STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies: £2,788: 7f)

Newmarket selections By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Hillsdown Lad. 2.30 Ghenting. 3.0 Salthouse. 3.30 To-Agori-Mou. 4.5 Miss St Mawes. 4.35 Habella. Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Hillsdown Lad. 2.30 Ghenting. 3.0 Sunset Ray. 3.30 Mushref. 4.5 Miss St Mawes. 4.35 Habella. National Stud virus The director of the National Studen announced vesterday that there have been four further cases of rhinopneumonitis at the stud. These were all in isolation and are

Folkestone results 1.45 (1.48) CHATHAM STAKES TOTE Win, 42p; places, 25p, 16n, 21p, Dual F: \$1.08, CSF; £1.24, U-flunter, at East Ilsloy 21, nk, Windy and 17-1; 4th, 16 mm.

. Connected with the case reported . on March 16.

2.15 (2.17) GILLINGHAM HANDICAP (Seiling, £791) 1'4m) SHLK FASHION, b_m, by Exceeded Dream—Maud, 7-7-11 A. McGione (R-1) 1
Matchiess Dancer P. Cook (11-2) 2
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TOTE: Win. 94p places 23p. 26p.
15p. Dual F. 87 06 CSF: 65.42
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NORTH WEST, ch g. by Wolsh
Pagemi-Heather Grove, 6-7-11
Master Thief. W. Newnes (33-1) 2
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TOTE: Win, £1.70, places, 32p, £1.07, 13p, Dual 1: Winner or 2nd with any other horse 92p CSF.
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3.15 (3.18, PRIVY COUNCILLOR STAKES (3.40): \$2.043; 67)

11p. Dual F: E5.99. (SF: £39.93. B. Swift, at Epsom. 11d. J. hd. Weibam Green 8-11 (av 14th). 9 ran. 3.45 (3.48) DARTFORD STAKES

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Mehta goes forth

works team .- Reupter.

The Ugandan Asian, Shekhar Mehta, hopes to become the first

driver to win the Safari car rally

four rimes in Nairobi this week-

end. He heads a strong Datsun

5-2 (av (pu). Natural 12 (an. PLACEPOT: £182.30. Wolverhampton results VY OLVERNAMPION TESTIES

2 30 (2.35) RYTON STAKES (2-y-0)
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Laser Light-Grecker Frame (J.
Williams) 8-11 Pigeons (14-1) 1

Challesium Park G. Baxler (6-1 fat) 2
Apphe Omega E. Johnson (7-2) 3

TOTE: Win. 60p. places (14-1) 17

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Chummy's Special

P. Cook (100-30)

TOTE: Win, 97p; places, 23p, 33p.

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2.15 (2.17) NORTH BERWICK STAKES

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Queen's Bay (H. Hewitson), 8-3

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William Harb. ... D. McKowm (2-2) 3

TOTE Win, 38p; places, 15p, 10p,

19p, Dual F; 40p, CSF; 75p, D. Smith,

at Bishop Attekland, 'gl, 1'gl, Granpark,

(16-1) 4th, 8 ran.

3.15 /3 17) MUSSELBURGH SPRING MANDICAP (£1.632: 1 m)

4 15 (4.17) DALMENY MANDICAP (C1.255.7) SHOW OF MANDS, b.g. by Royal Prerogalive—Lindyles (Mrs. M. Haggas), 5-9. Connection (11-3) 1 Tows Sky J. Lowe (9-2), 2 Saulingdale Paul Eddery (5-4 (3)) 2 TOTE Win. 912; places, 29p. 12p. 11p. Dual F. 61.86. CSF: £2.81. J. W. Watts, at Richmond. Capiain. Brassbound (20-1) 4th. 8 ran. 4.45 (2.45) INVERESK STAKES (Maiden, 2589; 1m) Leander—Wilton 2589; 1m) Leander—Wilton Duke of Sutherland(1.58m) 1.5 Mide (1.91) (2.1) 2 Master Martin , Paul Eddery (7:1) 3 TOTE, Wilton, 2019; 1940; 1950; 1941; 2,29; (257: 21.48.1, W. Warts at Richmond Neck, 11. Sutery Moon (19-4) 4th, 12 ran, PLACEPOT: E20,256.

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The rebels out to win with guns and a prayer

Trevor Fishlock, in the first of three articles on the guerrilla war in 'Afghanistan, reports from inside the Mujahidin stronghold of Torabora

bora war camp bears witness to its importance as a Mujahidin base. Russian gunships have bombed and rocketed it many times; the doctor is still swabbing stinging iodine on shrapnel gashes after the last raid, but the guerrillas are grinning and their black and white flag flies jauntily, a sort of thumbed nose. The Russians have failed to blast them from their mountain crevices and Mujahidin confidence, vigour and capability are growing.

After 12 days in Afghanistan, including three among the 200 Mujahidin lodged in this hide-out above the roaring Agam river, I left with a clear inpression of a guerrilla force increasingly well organized, armed and supplied.

In this area at least the traditional picture of yelling motley bands of wild and illdisciplined tribesmen is no longer accurate. Fierceness, ruthlessness and devotion to fighting remain their uneroded stock in trade. But to these qualities have been grafted a strong command structure and sense of order and purpose.

The Mujahidin in Nangabar province have not only consolidated—they have also extended their area of control by driving government sympathizers out. They believe they are getting the enemy's measure and their their sympathic control of thei evident good morale derives from the feeling that strength

Torabora is the headquarters of one of the new breed of mountain chiefs of Afghanistan, Abdul Khayum is a thoughtful supplies. These things will come and courteous former geography teacher, aged 30, who has exchanged his Jalalabad have grown much stronger and classroom for this 2,000ft eyrie, and his books for bandoliers, a ing on our own soil. We will sovier Kalashnikov automatic grow still stronger."

The blackened rubble of Tora- rifle and a belt with a couple of full 30-round magazines stuck

> Abdul Khayum is a province commander. From Torabora he plans and directs attacks on Russian and Afghan army positions throughout Nangahar province, and especially in the city of Jalalabad, 32 miles to the north, the scene of constant

fighting.
There are four major com manders under him, and each of these heads about a dozen groups of about 30 men who have their own sub-commanders.

commanders and men is easy and informal, but the leaders have genuine authority. Many of them are former teachers and count former students

among their men.

A typical group going out on a raid has, as I saw, about 15 Kalashnikovs, a light machine gun on a bipod, an assortment of rifles, full ammunition pouches and belts, and one or two Soviet shoulder-held rocket-propelled grenade launchers, with youths, like powder monkeys, carrying the grenades.

All the men here are Nan-All the men here are Nan-gahar men, fighting on their home ground and for it. They

spend most of their time in the

province and when they go to Pakistan it is usually to visit their families who are refugees. Abdul Khayum is a prudent man. "This is going to be a long war and we have to concentrate on building our reserves of weapons and ammunition. We need some means of bringing down the helicopters, more bullets and more medical supplies. These things will come if we are patient. In 15 months since the Russians came we

Mujahidin guerrillas with a twin-barrelled 20 millimetre camon carried in pieces to their camp.

lorries and troop carriers. The Mujahidin always try to retrieve weapons and ammunition during their attacks.

"The hope in the long term is a Kalashnikov for every man", Abdul Khayum said. The Mujahidin have sympa thizers in the demoralized and depleted Agban army who are conduits for arms, and especially for ammunition. Sometimes bullets are given, sometimes sold for up to 50 pence a Kalasmikov round. Deserting soldiers frequently give their guns to the Mujahidin before heading for Pakistan, or they simply throw in their lot with the rebels. A number of men showed me their army identity

A few months ago a young Alghan army officer, Nagib Ullah, who had been supplying arms to the Mujahidin, drove out of Jalalabad at the wheel of an armoured troop carrier. It now lies wrecked in a gully after a three the mountains

His prime means of waging is now a Mujahidin group comward is to harass government troops and installations by commando raids, and to ambush system, which is probably to The guerrillas have no radio system, which is probably to their advantage, and operate without maps; they know their land too well to need them. Abdul Khayum receives requests and reports in writing and sends messengers with his orders.

There are no Torabora. It is not a village in the usual sense, but a base where fighting men group, pre-pare and rest after attacks. Their needs are eminently simple and their monotonous diet consists of flat, hard wheat bread baked on iron whites a sort of spinach, occasional glutinous rice sprinkled with the juice of bitter oranges, and sometimes the luxury of a potato or an-egg. Their most important requirement from Jalalabad, spart from ammunition, is green and black tea and the sugar which is their main

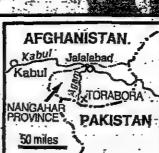
On my way in to Torabora, after a three day march over some miles from Torabora, and the mountains from Pakistan, the raffish Naqib Ullah, who looks like a young Errol Flynn, I was with, had to skirt a vil-

lage a few miles down the Agam river because it was being shelled by tanks and pounded by helicopter gun-

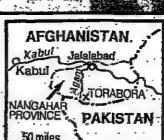
"That is my village", Abdul Khayum said, "My own house and garden was smashed year ago and my wife and children escaped to Pakistan."

Torabora's location protects it from tank or artillery fire, but helicopters can still get into the gorge to wreck the strongbold's scattered mud and stone buildings. The guerrillas had three Russian 20 millimetre machine guns sited in the hill-sides to fight these attacks. And a few days ago they installed two brand new twin barrelled 20 millimetre cannon which they humped up the gorge in

"They came from Jalalabad".
Abdul Khayum said cryptically each of the gun employments is manned around the clock. Each has a cave for living and a magazine store, with a rock door, dug into the mountain-



Mujabidin here. It is part of the basis of their belief that they will win in the end, and an important contribution to the high spirits which charac-



terize Torabora's community and the groups I met on the plains to the north.

But also important is their faith. The five times a day ritual of prayer is observed by the majority of the men. They finger their prayer beads as lovingly as they stroke their well cared-for guns. It often seems that their prayers have become an assertion of their

The development of their stripping off his bandolier and fire power, and the swelling laying down his rifle before of their armoury is a source of saying his prayers at sunset considerable pride among the said "We pray, we win."

tional aspirations; the urge is to maximize the sectarian vote to keep "the other side" out. All medium term and long-term considerations are swept aside. Party would have faced the electorally unforgivable charge of handing the seat to the Unionists with the resulting overall damage to the party's.

> and unexplained circumstances, leaving Mr Sands alone in the In the Westminster elec-tion of February 1974, the sectarian tendency led to a sharing executive, even though the opinion polls showed that a large majority of the voters

favoured the executive. Proportional representation is vital for all elections in Northern Ireland : otherwise the process of political change will be

cess of political change will be brought to a halt or gren reversed, by periodic tribal contests of this kind.

The stark fact of this élection is that no perceptible element among the Catholic population could envisage voting for the British countries. ing for the British countxion in any circumstances. It is, however, equally true that no perceptible element tmong the Protestant population would be prepared to vote for an anti-Unionist candidate of whatever und. That fundamental cleavage remains.

On each side of the divide people cling to old aspirations, which basically involve a sur-render of identity and aspirarions by "the other side". But the politics of conquest are sterile, unrealistic and hopeless. It is impossible to force people to be what they are not or to prevent them being what they are. A way must be found of accommodating both aspirations within a framework which allows people to be what they are, and which enables them to cooperate together is government without prejudice to their basic identity.

That has been the policy of

the Social Democratic and Labour Party from the heginning. We have succeeded in persuading the great majority of anti-Unionists to follow us. we have attracted some Protestant support, though minimal.

In PR elections where voters are released from sectarian

struggles of the early part of this century they won the con-test. The Northern Ireland state was created for them and they were given control of it. Having chosen sectarianism as the basis of their state they have found themselves trapped y that same sectarianism. It is inevitable that they regard any movement away from the present position as a victory for "the other side". In present circumstances they Therefore the circumstances

a significant level of support

movement, some hope of pro-

gress mwards achievement of

The most disturbing aspect of Northern Ireland politics is

that there has been no similar

modification of the Unionist position. If anything, Unionist leaders have drifted steadily to

the right. Those unionst leaders

who attempted to rethink tradi-

tional attitudes were quickly dispatched at the polls. Paisley-

The attitude of Unionists is natural and inevitable. In the

ism is in the ascendant.

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been a

third man at

by John Hume, leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party

The election of a hunger striker pressures we have maintained

eminder of just how deeply the for our position. We will con-

Northern Ireland community is tinue to do so. But ultimately divided. Only a fraction of the any political party must be able 30,000 voters who elected him to show its followers some

their policies.

Fermanagh

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support violence—that has been

proved in election after election.

and poll after poll of public

A far greater proportion of his vote came from people who are genuinely concerned about

the prison problem and who felt

that they were voting for a bumanitarian solution of it. But

the great majority of the votes came from people who were voting against Unionism and in

support of their Irish identity, as

they have done for generations. For them any anti-Unionist candidate is better than a Unionist, regardless of his back-

ground or connexions. I believe

that in these circumstances Parliament must not expel Mr

Above all, this election

demonstrates how damaging the "first past the post" electoral system is in Northern Ireland's circumstances. In finely balanced constituencies like Fermanagh and South Tyrone,

them to their polar extremes.

Parties of change and move-

candidates who most loudly proclaim allegiance to tradi-

permanent standing. Subsequently, and after the close of nominations, Mr Maguire with drew his candidature in peculiar

Westminster elections give rise to a hue and cry for "unity" candidates. Of its very nature that urge has a polarizing effect on both communities, and drives must be changed. Present political arrangements are the result of a lengthy struggle at the beginning of this century to reshape relationships between ment are at a disadvantage; the electorate tends to rally to the the peoples of these islands. The 1921 settlement has not provided lasting stability and it was not meant to be a final settlement. The whole matter of relationships between Ireland In this election, with Mr Noel and Britain has not been Maguire, brother of the pre-thoroughly or finally worked vious MP in the field, the source and Labour turgent attention and thankfully Social Democratic and Labour turgent attention and thankfully Party would have faced the London and Dublin have set of handing the sear to the their minds to it at last.

The process begun by the two Prime Ministers in January promises a new framework of relationships within these islands which could transform the context of the Northern Ireland problem. In those new circumstances of closer links and cooperation between the two islands, it will be easier for Unionist leaders to move out of the trenches without fear of the erosion of their identity.

In creating a new framework we do not have to be bound by any existing or previously existing models. The time is right for courageous and imaginative

leadership in London, Dublin and Belfast.

There is a unique relationship between Ireland and Britain. Our history has bound us to-gether with economic, social, cultural and political ries to numerous dimensions. To give institutional expression to that relationship is not to undermine the basic interests of the Northern Ireland majority but rather to give them added

security.

That new security would change the political circum-stances within Ireland itself and make possible an end to our age-old conflict, and give adequate expression to the statement of Irish identity so forcefully expressed by the majority of the electorate in Fermanagh and South Tyrone.

In the meantime, I hope that sounds from London of threats by the mother of parliaments to expel a democratically and legally elected member—what-ever his views or however unpalarable they are—have no foundation. It is the West-minster Parliament who will decide who sits there, or the electorate? In essence they would be baying to the electorate in Fermanagh and South Tyrone: "Send us someone who is more to our liking in a new election ".

They would find no self respecting democrat in Northern Ireland to participate in such an election. In addition thus would give enormous credence to the physical force movement. whose escential argument is that the ballot box is a waste

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Bernard Levin

A fond pip pip to my priggish friends

I suppose I ought to annoy the food prigs once more before I go. I have been back to Père Bise, and on the same trip I visited the legendary Girardet for the first time, and on top of that discovered Chez Pierre, of which I had never even heard. So if the prigs will kindly finish their baked beans, and my gastronomic and professorial pen friend will pour out settle down to enjoy himself, you shall hear.

Business took me to Montreux which was in itself a nostalgic jour-ney, for it was the first place I went to on my very first visit abroad, more decades ago than I care to remember. (I can even remember the name of the hotel I stayed at on that occasion: the Bonivard). And just along the road from Montreux, in a suburb of Lausanne called Crissier, there stands the restaurant of Frédy Girardet, of whom I have heard many good judges say that it can compare with the best in France: a large claim. You can indeed eat well in Switzerland, and I often have (at the Veltliner Keller in Zürich, for instance, the Euler in Basle, and Chesa Veglia in St Moritz), but a comparison with the best in France is another matter and I have loss is another matter, and I have long felt the need to judge for myself. So I did; but the night before I lunched chez Girarder I went into Vevey to try Chez Pierre, which I 1.2 route Suisse des plaisirs de la table (if the publishers of it, who seem to constitute a kind of club rather like the organization of Relais de Campagne restaurants, are reading this, I would be grateful if they would send me an up-to-date

I began with the foie gras chaud aux raisins, poached in a lovely truf-fly sauce which I mopped up with about three-quarters of a loaf of the wickedly delicious home-baked dark bread Pierre Béthaz provides. (The pips had not been removed from the grapes. I didn't mind, isideed it was nice to have something which crunched amid the smoothness, but I feel obliged to mention it thus, as it is the kind of item that particularly upsets the prigs). Hesitating over the next course, I took M Bethaz's advice and had the poussin aux morilles, nor did I regret it, for it was buried beneath a huge mound of the delicious little crinkly mushrooms, and the bird was as tender as whipped cream. Three or four cheeses later, I took a melange of five miniature sorbets; I foolishly forgot to note them, and can only remember the lemon and the pas-

I drank Swiss throughout of course, a nice crisp Algle with the foie gras and a Devaley with the bird; I am always pleasantly surprised by Swiss wine, and wish I saw more of it. I went to bed well pleased with life, and reflecting that with the memory of Chez Pierre under my belt, I was well equipped in case I was disappointed at Girardet.
O, but I wasn't! It is beautifully

and tastefully decorated, and as soon as I sat down I realized why it is necessary to book there a month in advance; there is room for only 44 diners. Lucky 44, and lucky I to be one of them, for the meal which

copy). There is a brasserie downstairs, and a riny restaurant up; up
I went.

I began with the foie gras chaud
our raisins, poached in a lovely truf.

fly sauce which I mooped up with

relating to the most extravagant claims made for M
Girarder's cooking. Having done so
well with M Bethaz' foie gras, I
decided to begin with the Girardet
version, in which it is poached in wine vinegar with walnut oil added, and to go on with La cotelette de pigeon aux chaux verts, but the head watter suggested that I might like to take a demi-portion of the fole gras and follow it by another entree.
To this wise proposal I naturally assented with alacrity, and settled for lobster, which came with a sauce of langoustines, and slices from a truffle that must have been the size of a football.

The whole proceedings, I should mention, were preceded by a wedge of tarte. a variation on pissaladière, and what with that and the foie gras (the vinegar setting off the richness of the meat in a most notable man-ner) and the lobster (fresh as though it had been caught in Lac Leman that very morning) my appetite was quite whetted for the pigeon. It came wrapped in the inner leaves of the chour vert-an odd combination on paper, but the vegetable's mildness was a fine foil for the strong meat of the pigeon. I had been drinking with it up to the pigeon, with which I drank a good powerful Dôle, also very suitable for the gamy little bird.

Girardet's choese troller is a noble sight, so lavish that it includes three Gruyetes—sole, mi-dour and dour, I had the middle one, together with a rich Vacherin, a Tomme Vaudoise, and a couple of local cherres, and by the time I had finished I was seriously doubting whether I could manage more than another couple of

courses. Portunately, only two more were necessary; first, a delicate mille-feuille, reminiscent in its lightness of the desserts of M Menager, the maître-patissier who runs the Hos-tellerie du Moulin de Maine-Brun at Angoulème, and then Girardet's selection of sorbets, which includes grapefruit and tea — the last so mexpected that for the life of me I could not put the name to the taste, and had to ask. The whole meal was perfect, and perfectlybalanced; vaut le voyage. I did not feel like much dinner that

night, so I spent the evening thinking about the morrow and Pere Bise. The morrow dawned sunny, and got sunnier as I approached; when I arrived, the lake was sparkling, a handsome swan floating majestically at the edge. Inside, nothing had changed; Madame's smile was as welcoming as ever, and soon after I had dispatched the parfait de foie doie I was listening to the sound of the meunière butter bubbling on my omble cheralier, that rare fish, like the most delicately pink-fleshed trout, that is said to be found nowhere but in Lake Geneva and Lake Annecy. That hadn't changed, either, but tarragon being out of season, but talligue being out of season, a couldn't have my usual poularde braisée a la creine d'estragon; instead, I had it oux truffes (about a hundredweight of them), and readily succumbed to the suggestion of the other half when I had dispatched the first lot along with some rice and a lightly-dressed lettuce salad. (Old man Bise used personally to pinch the bosom of every chicken admitted to his kitchen, rejecting sans phrases any with even a hint of toughness. I have no doubt the process is still being followed today).

Only three cheeses, for I knew what was coming, and knew also that justice not only had to be done. but had to be manifestly seen to be done, which also accounted for the fact that I confined myself, when the desserts appeared to some strawherries, some Chinese gooseberries (you and the Trade Descriptions Act can call them Kiwifruit if you like, but I shall go on addressing them by the name under which I first met them) and a vanilla ice. And then, to finish, the grandest

of all the grands specialities of that beloved maison: the marjolaine, a gateau that looks like a brick and melts in the mouth like spun sugar, its quality pever diminished by the twentieth part of a hair's breadth in the 25 years I have been going there. I had been drinkling Sanceire right

up to the chicken, with which I planmed to drink a half-bottle of 1970
Montrose, but there were no halves
left, and—true to my policy of
moderation at table—I felt that a whole bottle at that point might be overdoing things. So I accepted the suggestion of a wine I had never even heard of, with a name-Couvent des Jacobins-like a donnish joke. You couldn't mistake it for a grand cru, of course, but it was full of character, and the half-bottle was just enough for the chicken and the

I took my coffee outside in the sunshine, and did not think of the prigs at all, though I raised my armagnac to the Professor. But I didn't feel like much dinner that night, either.

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LONDON DIARY

Please someone. come and take a shine to me

Where have all the window cleaners gone? It is four years ince an eager washer ladder and chamois called at my house, promising to return every month to keep the day-East flowing in. I have not seen him or any of his like since, and I know I am not alone in finding them a remarkably clusive brotherhood of men. You would think that in

these times of high unemploy-ment and the wholesale shed-ding of factory jobs, a window decaning ground would be the ideal business for a redundant man to start up. Minimal capital will provide you with lad-ler, leathers and a bicycle, and plastic bucket costs only a raction of the quantity of Best London bitter it will hold. So where are they all?

where are they all?
I know where one has gone. Cook, who works for a endon office window cleaning irm, is in New York this week leaning windows of the Empire nere canvas belt at a terrifying

height above Fifth cook won the adulture expenses-paid privilege by entering a competition on the label of a vodka bottle. I can only think he demolished most of the contents before setting down which particular dream he would like to come true. Cook, who used to clean the

topmost windows of the Post Office Tower before they closed Office lower between the restaurant, told me he would not care to be a selfemployed domestic window cleaner in England. People do not want their windows cleaned when it is raining, which it does great deal, so there is money o be made only in fine

householders never And seem to be in when the window cleaner calls. The trouble and strife of trying to collect the money afterwards, according to Cook, tends to negate all the attractions of the job, like freedom, fresh air and all those other little bonuses that George Formby used to sing

Milkmen, as I reported the shadows and often maligned ther day, have the same probems, which is one reason why ourstep milk deliveries are on the decline in some areas.

Meanwhile I have to do the shadows and often maligned figure is to appear mext year. The book, by Jack Smithers, was to have been published by Cassell, but fell victim to that house's recent decision to aban-Milkmen, as I reported the other day, have the same prob-lems, which is one reason why doorstop milk deliveries are on

windows myself, enduring white knuckles, vertigo, paralysing fear and creasy streaks—and that is only on the ground floor. I wish someone down my way would start up one of those small businesses Mrs Thatcher seems to believe are the answer to industrial redundancy. It would provide work, and save, me from a broken neck.

Great escapist

I detect a considerable revival of interest in the works of Dornford Yates, the mannered, witty escapist novelist who is usually escociated with the twenties but who in fact died only in 1960.

Penguin plan to reissue three of the Eerry and Co novels this summer, and BBC Television is considering another dramatized series. Six of the original Yates titles are still in print, and continue to sell well. But the best news for Yates enthusiasts is that the first

torough biography of this



"Nigel says that in time they'll be able to detect race riots from outer space."

don almost its entire general publishing list.

The manuscript has been rescued by Hodder and Stoughton, who hope to publish and the property of the publishing the publish lish it next February.
Little is known about Yates, except that he was really a

lived in France until chased out by the Germans in 1940, and spent most of the rest of his life in Rhodesia, where he was commissioned in the army. He wrote his first short story in 1911 and maintained a sub-stantial output until two years before his death.

"Yates still has a tremendous public", Smithers told me. "His style is very Harrow and Oxford, Shake-speare and water, but he wrote extellent, if pedantic, English, and he was a thundering good storyteller." Smithers has tracked down many of Yates's close associates, including his bank manager; by colocidence Smithers's daughter was born in Yates's former house at Wal-mer, Kent, now a nursing

Hidden plot

Wild woodland 15 minutes' walk from King's Cross station? Well, something like it, anyway, has come to light after lying

hidden for years. The triangular plot of just under an acre near Thornbill Square, NI, has been left un-Square, N1, has been left un- means in this case that the be withdrawn in favour of disturbed and untended since it schoolchildren of Islington something that cannot give fell into neglect as an orna- would not have to go all the way offence.

mental garden soon after its en-closure in the 1850s. There is no public access into it, and the only means of entry is through the houses backing on to it.
It has mature chestnut, lime

and plane; elm went with the disease. There are saplings, scrub and undergrowth, and fewer broken bottles, old bedsteads and tips of rubble than you would expect. Jays have been sighted, and it is a haunt of Barnsbury's owls. The people whose houses back

on to it have never really had the right to enter it, and they don't much, though they kept chickens there during the war. Islington council bought it in 1973 for purposes now abandoned, and is now considering its sale for private housing. The surrounding residents, unhappy at the prospect, have formed a Barnsbury Wood Cooperative for its preservation.

They make the rather grand claim that it is "an established but neglected ecological park". The word "ecology" is a weapon of modern manufacture much employed in the war-fare of planning controls. It meeting is now asking for it to means in this case that the be withdrawn in favour of

to Highgate cemetery to be lown what narure is like if left to itself.

Figung on a Pan-American Boeing 747 last week. I was dis-turned by an advertising slogan duor, just above the emergency escape chute container, which declared cheerfully: hello to a brand new world"

Pray, sirs...

Representatives of the Jewish community, in their first formal with the Church of England, have complained that the new Anglican Alternative Service Book contains more than a him of antisemitism. It comes in the third Collect for use on Good Friday, which seeks Gud's mercy on the Jews and asks that they be cured of "ignorance, hardness of heart, and Contempt for your

Canon Peter Schneider, an

The Roman Catholic Church agreed several years ago to rid irs public prayers, particularly those on Good Friday, of such purases as "the perfidious Jews". It is all the more surprising, therefore, that this Anglican prayer got into the new book without being challenged. It may be explained by the fact that Jewish-Anglican relations have only just been put on a formal basis, amidst

may say, much goodwill.

The French never lose their

sense of chic, not even at the security check at Charles de Gaulle airport, Paris. A col-league watched a woman passenger present herself jor ecupon screening, wearing d jaunty but held at its angle by a huge and potentially lethal hutpin, which was regarded suspiciously in the guards. "Mais vaus comprenez", she murmured sweetly, pour le charcau il faut absolutment. She was whisked through with adoring smiles of understanding, fully equipped to open whelks or stab the entire crew

Alan Hamilton



From Mr K, M. Delancy

Sir, Sir Philip Watson's letter today

(April 10) recommends dismissal of recalcirrant civil servants for not performing their contractual liabili-

ties.

I have always understood that a contract imposes obligations on all the contract in the

those who are party to it. In this case, the Government's arbitrary breach of its obligations under established pay machinery surely

renders any such contract void, to

say the least.
Furthermore, in other contractual

spheres a party which considers

to law or some other form of arbitration. The Government is

adamantly denying this right to the

can defend the immorality of the position is beyond me.

All the flag-waving and moral indignation now affecting your

leading articles and correspondence

columns cannot disguise the fact

that it was the employer that preci-pitated this particular industrial campaign, not the employees. Yours faithfully,

From Mr Herb Greer

Sir, The reports about the supposed "coup attempt" in 1968 have been fascinating. What word will you apply to the attempt by a minority pressure group (the Civil Service unions) to sabotage government operations—not just in pursuit of money, but in an open attempt to force the executive to act according to the diktat of this minority group, against the public interest? If this is not a real "coup attempt" it would be very interesting to know what you propose to

ing to know what you propose to call it, and why the public tolerates it with an opparently bland indif-

Sir, While you rightly apply the terms "buily" and "cant" to the tactics now adopted in the Civil

Service strike for higher pay than

the private sector, do you not think it time to grapple with the cause?

As I showed in my book. The System-The Misgovernment of Modern Britain, the whole Civil

Service ser-up, dating from 1855, is

obsolete, inefficient and extravagent.

to which it now adds sabotaging Britain's defence and abusing its

monopoly to harass countless citizens on their lawful occasions.

As the present Government is patently unable to honour its man-

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From Mr Max Nicholson

K, M. DELANEY, 2 Darren Court,

From Mr Herb Greer

Blackwood,

Gwent.

ference.

April 10.

HERB GREER.

Yours,

Civil Service strike and defence

DDLE EAST PRIORITIES

by pace at which Mr 's Administration is forg its foreign policies is g its foreign policies is ing in so far as it allows ing in so far as it allows the simple ideas which it simple ideas which it ared during the election on Mr Haig found on his the Middle East how their process is H. if this process is. He ish the hope of persuadple that the Soviet threat important than the raeli dispute and that the ssue should give way to arer. He was also anxious ad the message that the States is now ready, in nords, "to reassert its responsibilities and its responsibilities". He with mixed results and oport for his main thesis. e fair, Mr Haig has a understanding than some more hard-line figures in ministration of the Arab concern about the pan question. During his went out of his way to that the security of the d the search for a settleon the West Bank are for, in his own inimitable "mutually reinforce-He also showed sensin the wariness of Arab as to the idea of a western y presence in the area. heless, no amount of sic skill could conceal

> rael be was only partially ful in calming fears fr Reagan's willingness to Saudi Arabia with five 3 (Airborne Warning and

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Mr Whitelaw has taken the

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lly those on the distur-

and the disorders in

i's Red Lion Square in

Home Secretary has to set up the inquiry

section thirty-two of the

Act 1964. This specifies a inquiry may be held

my matter connected with

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examination of the events

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on the statute book. The r of industrial disputes of

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te of the section of the Act g public funds available nion ballots. So far only

bodies have made formal

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r for assistance under the

and all three have been ed. The reasons for this are

et clear, and obviously the

ication officer has to satisfy

elf as to the relevance and

dentiality of ballots put for-

tly a flying start. Nor are the

organizations concerned-

loyal College of Nursing, the

sh Medical Association and

Guinness Brewery and

Association (UK)—unions

essed of clout and sway in

counsels of the TUC. Only

such union has as yet

icly expressed a desire to

advantage of the Govern-

I's offer, the Amalgamated

m of Engineering Workers

that will not make a formal

for subsidy. But it is not

y of litigation.

expected-nor would it

interpret this phrase

in Northern Ireland in

reports,

Scarman

UEST ON BRIXTON

me Secretary has acted in Brixton this weekend. Who

areas of disagreement

to the Middle East

n the United States and

fighters it received from President Carter. He told the Israelis that he would ensure they retained a qualitative edge over the Arab states in military power, and he pleased them by calling Israel an ally, but he could not entirely persuade them that weapons intended for use that weapons intended for use against the Soviet Union or its surrogates might not be rurned against Israel.

Nor did be get across his message in Jordan, where the Foreign Minister publicly contradicted his claim that there had been a convergence of views and re-emphasized that Jordan still believes that Israel, not the Soviet Union, is the main threat, King Husain also said yet again that Jordan would not join the Camp David peace process, or any successor to it, and is not interested in any talks in which the PLO does not represent the Palestinian people. His public attitude could change if the Labour Party comes to power after the June elections in Israel and brings in new policies to-wards the West Bank, but there n unlikely to be any funda-mental shift in Arab support for the PLO, no matter how great the Soviet threat. Indeed, it is the view of moderate Arabs that nothing gives the Soviet Union more help in the area than America's refusal to countenance a role for the PLO in the peace Process.

In London attempts were made to paper over differences on this point, and there does in fact appear to be somewhat more American understanding for the European initiative than there was, thanks partly to the persuasive powers of Lord Carring-Systems) and with offenton. This will be beipful when respons for the F-15 Mr. Thatcher is in the Gulf

was immediately to blame for the

outbreak of violence? Was there

any abuse of power or tactical

mistake on the part of the police? Or can evidence be found

to support the allegation that

troublemakers from outside the

area deliberately provoked or

It is important that these facts

should be known, but the inquiry

must not stop there. It is also

necessary to discover whether

any broad general conclusions

can be drawn for the conduct of

policing in areas with large minority communities. For this it would be relevant if Lord Scar-

man were to call witnesses from

other parts of Britain, including

Bristol, where there was the serious riot in the St Paul's

neighbourhood last year, and

from Handsworth, in Birming-

ham, where they managed things

These first two parts of the

inquiry are connected directly

with policing in the Brixton area.

though Lord Scarman's findings

in the second field would be

relevant to other areas of Britain

as well. But he also needs to go

further and consider factors that

are indirectly related to such

policing problems. It is not

mittee has endorsed the plan

Several other unions are

known to be privately interested, while preferring to let the AUEW lead the way in flouting

the TUC's official policy of wholesale rejection of the Acr.

As the Isle of Grain dispute showed, the AUEW is too power-

ful a union, and too confident

in the support of members

expensively balloted in almost incessant union elections, to be easily stared down by the TUC

on an issue where its members'

interests are seriously engaged.

the TUC campaign, both because

a number of unions are strongly

tempted to break ranks if they

can, and because the case against

this part of the Act is plainly a

shoddy one. The official justifi-

cation for the ban is that accept-

ing subsidy may compromise the

independence of the union. It is

an argument difficult to sustain

while the movement continues to

enjoy the advantages of friendly

society status and of state

assistance rowards its educa-tional activities. Some of the mooted proposals for compulsory balloting might have threatened

internal union authority, but no threat of this kind is raised by

voluntary ballots undertaken by properly constituted unions.

Balloting is the weak spot in

Y ARE THEY FRIGHTENED OF BALLOTS?

rather better.

imployment Act became approach until its national com-

later this year.

exploited the disturbance?

region next week. Nevertheless, the fact remains that the policy of the United States in its present inchoate stage is based on assumptions which are not shared either by its European allies or by the principal states in the region. Even President Sadat, who speaks approvingly of the United States " resuming its role as the first super power responsible for peace all over the world" is somewhat less than eager to provide bases from which that super power could exercise its role in the Middle

basic lesson for Mr Reagan's Administration is that it cannot pursue effective regional policies without sufficient support from the states of that region. For most of these states a settlement of the Arab-Israeli dispute with Palestinian participation is either more im-portant than the Soviet threat or a precondition for meeting that threat effectively. The idea that the problem could be solved by reversing priorities and trying to settle the Palestinian question on the coat tails of an agreement on Middle East security is an interesting product of Washington thinking but is largely un-connected to Middle East realities.

This does not mean it has to be abandoned altogether. It may belp to remind the Middle East from time to time that it does face wider threats which at some point could make its preoccupation with internal strife seem a dangerous luxury, but the United States will not get the common front it seeks unless it is seen to be helping with the problems which most preoccupy those it would like to have as allies.

There is no reason why he should be restrained from doing so by his terms of reference. These are matters "connected with the policing" of Brixton as well as other areas. But he might feel restrained by considerations of time. He has been asked to report urgently, and it would be tragic if other riots were to occur before he was able to do so. He might be wise therefore to present an interim report on the first, or possibly the first two aspects of his inquiry. But it would be a wasted opportunity

from the fears of many union

leaders, great and small, that

elections would become more difficult to manipulate. With

some exceptions, the movement

today is very imperfect in its

democratic structure. This is to

the advantage of those able to

sway the emotions of a mass

meeting, or to draw out branch

discussions until their opponents

bave grown tired and gone home.

Votes on industrial action or the

election of officers are often

decided on a 10 per cent poll at

meetings, and on 40 per cent or

Balloting is not in itself a guaruntee either of moderation

or of real democracy: Mr Moss

Evans, for instance, was elected

once by ballot of his vast union,

and need never stand for election again till he retires; the

seamen's strike showed how

rules for a ballot can be got

round; while the Government's

recent haste to avoid a miners'

ballot paid tribute to the soli-

darity in dispute that only a

ballor can ensure. But balloting

is still the precondition for real

democracy, and as the power of

the movement grows, the more

important it becomes that its

power should be exercised democratically, and seen to be

more in ballots.

necessary for him to go so far as to provide a social treatise on our times. To ask for that would be absurd. But anyone looking at the pattern of racial violence in Britain in recent years-in west, north and east as well as south London, in Bristol, and in other provincial towns and cities where so far it has smouldered rather than exploded-must recognize that more is involved than technical problems of police immigrant relations. The underlying conditions that make it so difficult to conduct such relations

date from the electorate in face of Yes, Minister obstruction, and thus to reduce taxes and inflation and harmoniously must also he examined, in so far as Lord cut public sector borrowing, may I urge the adoption of a simple and Scarman is able to draw pertinent conclusions and make practical recommendations. Investment for recovery From Sir Charles Villiers Sir, Your leader, "The high road to recovery". April 10, should have considered investment levels in

other countries. What stands out a mile is not Southend Pier, but the colossal programmes in Japan and West Germany, which make our efforts to date absolutely puny. The United Kingdom savings rate is 15 per cent of disposable income which is high and there is lots of money around (more for borrowers than for ordinary capital seekers). What we lack are investment pro-grammes, whether for the "Chunif he were to ignore the third. nel", electrification of railways, energy saving, information tech-nology, machine tools, microprocessors or the myriad needs of small business. The latter, given intelli-The real force behind the gible encouragement, could add several percentage points to gross opposition towards ballots comes

> innovations and employ another million people in just a few years. But little of this will happen until we can see a route to a reasonable return at the end of the day, of which a fair amount can spick with those who earned it, whatever gov-ernment is in office. This route is still hard to see, but visibility is

national product, greatly increase

improving.

We are in fact now on the ap-We are in fact how on the approach road, not on the high road to recovery. We should not let economists sidetrack us with threats of an investment trap. Better occasionally to be caught by the beels than to be our of mainstream modern industry, which is our certain face unless literally tens of

Nationality proposals

From Mrs 1. P. Hewitt Sir, Mr John Matthews in his letter Sir, Mr John Matthews in his letter (March 27) about the nationality proposals points out the "retroactive nature" of the measure dealing with the right to transmit citizenship—the fact that children of Britons by descent will not automatically qualify for British citizenship. ship if born abroad, including many born abroad before the Bill becomes

law.

1 would like to point out that one aspect of the current Immigration Rules also has such a "retroactive effect". This concerns daughters burn abroad to British parents; such burn abroad to British parents; such girls, most of whom come from Asian communities, are denied the right to marry a non-British man and live with him in the United Kingdom, a right enjoyed by their male counterparts. Most of the girls affected were born hefore the Immigration Rules were changed to prevent the entry of male fiances to the

this category.

The British legal tradition hitherto has tended to steer clear of being retroactive, even in the case of budgetary measures to close tax or nuagetary measures to close tax loopholes, but the recent tax pro-posed on profits made by banks during the past year, and the examples relating to nationality and

The Minister of State at the Home Office, Mr Timothy Raison, was reported to have said during the Nationality Bill's committee stage (on March 17, reported in The Times of March 18) that the Gov-

to show our legal system to have such an asinine face? Yours faithfully. JILL MacMAHON.

Kent.

As a first step, might not those members of Parliament who hope that they may persuade the distilusioned public to reelect them show their own sense of responsibility by tabling a well backed motion of nagantidence in the Civil motion of no-confidence in the Civil Service, and a demand for its replacement by something more modern, less inefficient and less irresponsible? alteration.

The Athenaeum, Pall Mall, 5W1. April 10. From Captain J. A. R. Swainson, RN Sir, The Government can surely foil the civil servent anarchists at Fus-lane by sailing HMS Resolution to Norfolk Navy Yard, Virginia, for her vital maintenance. I hope, too, that the Government will take early steps to de-civilianize

the masks necessary to keep Resolution on station in defence of the realm. This must be their bounder duty as our role in the Atlantic alliance is priority one. Yours faithfully. J. A. R. SWAINSON. 48 Springhead. Tunbridge Wells, Kent. April 10

From Mr David Harington Sir, Whilst a customs officer or immigration official is working nor-mally he has the right to stop me, examine my passport, look for con-traband, and so on. As soon as he begins some action for his own ends, beyond his pormal work, be loses that right and becomes a pri-vate individual who is simply ob-

structing me. I em a British citizen, I do not smuggle, and I have the right to leave and enter this country freely. I hope I shall have the protection of the police when I ignore the attempts of officials to obstruct me. And, if others ignore the officials, too, we shall have no delays at airports this Easter. Yours att.

DAVID HARINGTON, 40 Leighton Road, NWS. April 12.

thousands of new investments are begun quite soon. These should be aimed at more and better of whatever it is, at competitive cost in the sunrise rather than the sunset

industries. Erhard encouraged it to happen in Germany, Porepidou made a start in France, but it has not yet taken off in postwar Britain, There has to be a first time . . . surely

Sincerely, CHARLES VILLIERS, Chairman, BSC (Industry) Ltd. 42 Grosvenor Gardens, SW1.

April 11,

Auchinleck's tactics From Colonel Lord Clifford of

Chudleigh Sir, As at the time a mere major and commanding, due to deaths and wounds, the remnants of the support group to 22nd Armoured Briport group to 22nd Armoured Singade at the bartle of the "Devil's Cauldron" (June 5'6, 1942) I make bold to say that the consensus of opinion, discussed ad nauseam as PoWs, was that the generals inviting criticism were Richie and Messervy. Auchinleck and Lumsden were

never faulted, In an earlier prewar existence as a subaltern in northern India I recollect the awe in which Auchinleck was then held as the only general who could give a complete divisional commander's orders without using a note.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant. CLIFFORD, House of Lords.

ernment was at an early stage of considering what changes would be

necessary to the immigration Rules following the passage of the Bill. I would like to remind him that reinstatement of the marriage rights of British girls born abroad is called for to bring the rules in line with the very commendable sex equality feature of the Nationality Bill.

Yours faithfully, . P. HEWITT, Secretary, UK Asian Women's Conference, 5 More Close, Purley, Surrey.

Moving Highgate graves

From Mr R. S. Nichols Sir, I would like to suggest that the graves and memorials of the many notable people buried in Highgate Cemetery be removed to one area, which is always open to the public, as for example Bunhill Fields, so that the public may visit

and pay their respects to them, wonder how many people who gaze at the massive head of Marx ilso know that the far greater bene factor to mankind, whose work has not resulted in the death of anyone, except by negligence, or the due process of law, is also buried there -namely Michael Faraday.

Yours faithfully, R. S. NICHOLS, Chairman, Mill Bill and Hendon Historical Society. 29 Maxwelton Avenue, Mill Hill, NW7.

Election as MP of IRA prisoner

From Miss Jill MacMahon Sir, Whilst reading your coverage of IRA hunger striker Mr Robert Sands's stand for election, it occurred to me that his candidature emphasizes a paradox in the law; namely, that although a convicted person may not, whilst detained in a penul institution, vote in an election, he may yet stand as a candidate in one.

Should our statute books continue

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This would be to enact a New Public Service Act, terminating the existing Civil Service from the earliest practicable date (with pro-

per regard to existing legal rights), and starting a fresh service under a

and starting a fresh service inner a new Public Service Commission equivalent to a select commistee of Parliament. It would be manned by a new, progressively better quali-fied profession of public admini-stration, with only a core of per-manently engaged staff, the remain-der helps on sobtruters contracts or

der being on short-term contracts or on secondment from the universi-

on secondment from the universities, business and elsewhere, with preference for reengaging existing civil servants having a record of efficient and loyal fulfilment of their duties. The total should be, say, at least 250,000 less than that now existing, which would be ample for all according to the control according.

for all essential needs.

Yours faithfully,

MAX NICHOLSON,

Maraval, 15 Croft Avenue, West Wickham,

From Sir Hugh Fraser, MP for Stafford and Stone (Conservative) Sir, I hope the House of Commons will keep it rool over the Fer-managh and South Tyrone election (report, April 11) and neither pardon the victor nor expunge his name from the roll of elected MPs. The people of the constituency have a law and by that law they have chosen. No electoral regulation has seemingly been broken. By law, too, the victor serves a criminal sentence not subject to

If our leaders are in shock and seek for precedents at this season, none is better than the good book itself. The Procurator of Judea, for understandable reasons, has always been underestimated as an administrator. Neither dreums nor his wife nor curiosity nor presentiments of the future deflected him from his Roman duty, which was to judge within customary law the course least likely to cause a

course least likely to cause a tumult among the people.

The people's choice, however organized, was Barabbas. Pilate accepted it: as a governor rightly. It was as the Gospel says "of necessity". If necessity, one bopes that the leaders of the parties in the House of Commons will keep their beads and the law today. Yours faithfully, HUGH FRASER. House of Commons, SW1.

From the Reverend M. J. Peel

Sir, Is it not an outrage to all decent citizens of the United Kingdom that, in announcing the result of the byelection, the returning officer described the winning candidate officially as a "political prisoner": The man elected is a convicted felon. His status is that of all who are in prison for breaking the laws of this realm. He is not there for his political views but for what he has done in violating the law. He cannot be a "political prisoner".

Surely the returning officer must have known this. Should be not have insisted therefore that the rand-

insisted, therefore, that the candi-date describe himself accurately as a prisoner, detained at her Majesty's pleasure, and refused to have accepted a form of words which, when used at the declaration of the poll, could not fail to give the IRA another boost to its credibility? I remain, yours faithfully,

MICHAEL PEEL, Iver Heath. Buckinghamshire, April 11.

From Mrs K. F. Archbold-George Sir. Surely Sands's election is an embarrassment for democracy rather than just for the Govern-

ment? In fact, it seems as though democracy has some sort of in-built death wish. Why else should it so arrange viself that a man of blood, a con-victed member of that infartile group which believes it is entitled to grasp power and hold power by denying innocent people the right to live, can be elected to that body of people which makes laws for all of us to obey?

Should a democracy be ruled by bloodhirsty lovers of street fighting, snlping from behind walls, bombing and running away to force the lovers of civilized order to play hide and seek with them? What is easier or more cowardly than destruction, whether of the self or unsuspecting innocents?

Yours faithfully, K. F. ARCHBOLD-GEORGE, 351 Muswell Hill Broadway, N10.

Peacetime conscription From Mr R. A. Hodgkin

Sir. It is beginning to seem desirable, and it may eventually become essential, that all citizens should contribute, not only in taxes but increasingly in service, to the cost of a civilized society in the twentyfirst century. Compulsion might be necessary, or strong inducements such as the availability of grants for tertiury education. (The former, pace Mr Wood (April 10) is not slavery; and the latter is not halber.) bribery.) Service opportunities would be diversified and, no doubt. some military options would be

available. But a more crucial problem remains: how could the general tendency of such a movement remain non-totalitarian? Only, I suggest, if powerful bodies such as the churches, major charities (and the Humanist Society), enlightened industries and enlightened organizations were to take a lead

There would be many possibilities for useful, disciplined, challenging service, but consider just one: if primary education were to fulfil its great promise something like three times the present teacher power would be needed. Most of this could be provided by lightly trained auxiliaries, working under highly trained professionals. The latter, instead of being overstretched as at present, would gain more scope and influence. "Lightly trained" might

mean a six-month priming course in a college of education. Would it be cost-effective? Hard to tell. But what would be the cost advantage of having, say, 95 percent of our 12-year-old population able to use language well and competent in basic maths and music? Could not this be a policy for our centre parties?

Yours sincerely ROBIN A. HODGKIN, Bareppa House, raimouto.

Charities and the law From the General Secretary of the South Place Ethical Society

Sir. It is important to get the facts right. The South Place Ethical Society, founded in 1793 and descended from a Unitarian Church was recognized as a charity last summer as the result of an appeal to the High Court. The grounds were not, as Mr Hubert Picarda (April 13) thinks, "because of its tendency to moral improvement", nor as Dr Stopes-Roe (April 13) thinks "as an organization cultivating Humanism ".

Mr Justice Dillon ruled that the society's objects and record met the requirements of two of the cate-gories of charity defined by Lord Macnaghten in Pemsel's case (1891), viz "the advancement of aducation" and "the benefit of the

community".
It was our hope to be recognized us a charity on religious grounds, in that one of our two main objects is "the cultivation of a objects is "the cultivation rational religious sentiment" judge himself summarized that case in the words: "such qualities as truth, love and beauty are sucred and the advancement of such belief is the advancement of religion." However, he declined to accept Religion, as I see it, is con cerned with man's relation to God, and ethics are concerned with man's

relation to man."

Nevertheless we were happy that justice was done, but there is one aspect of the matter that none of your correspondents has remarked upon. It took us 16 difficult and expensive years to bring the matter to court. There is surely an anomaly here. We presented the

Charity Commissioners and the Court of Chancery.

Might not the Law Commissioners be asked to look at that problem and suggest a procedure to deal with it without opening any floodgate for irresponsible appeals? The sheer cost of justice is today threatening justice itself.

Charity Commissioners with a prob-

lem on which they felt they needed a court ruling. One cannot quarrel with that, but as things stand there is no appeal procedure between the

Yours faithfully. PETER CADCGAN. South Place Ethical Society. Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square WC1.

From the Headmaster of Clifton College, Bristol Sir, Dr Spencer's attempt (April 10) to link the public schools with the Moonies was a merry jest, though a mischievous one. Ha ignores, however, one important difference—apart from the obvious fact that the schools charitable status derives from their educational, not their religious function. In order to minimize the risks of "hrajnwashing", public schools make eluborate arrangements to return children to their families for periods ranging from a few days to a couple of months at regular intervals throughout the year. And I have not yet heard of any parents who have had to resort to the use of "snatch parties" in order to rescue their children from the tlutches of over-possessive headmasters or headmistresses. Yours faithfully, STUART ANDREWS, Clifton College, Bristol.

New life for film making From Lord Brahourne and Mr David Puttnam

Sir. We have read with interest the letter (April 10) signed by a num-ber of distinguished film makers and we both support wholeheartedly much of what was said in that letter.
In paragraph two, the letter advocates "the establishment within a
single ministry of a new statutory the Interim Action Committee on the Future of the Film Industry. This committee has been pressing for some time for the formation of a British Film Authority whose function, among other things, would be to examine the existing legisla-tion affecting film and television and be the principal adviser to the Government on all matters relating the audio-visual entertainment industry, as suggested in the letter. We hope very much that this new initiative by so many distinguished film makers will help to persuade the Government of the urgent necessity for the formation of a British

Film Authority. Yours faithfully, BRABOURNE.

DAVID PUTTNAM,

41 Montpelier Walk, SW7.

Mark of the beast From Mr K. J. Ballinger

Sir, I was saddened to read (report, April 91 that the Royal Automobile Club refused to tow Mr John Dodd's car, known as The Beast, because it was "overweight". This would appear to be a further decline of the spirit that once made this nation, and its motoring organizations, great. Yours faithfully. K. J. BALLINGER, 9 Trent Court, New Wanstead, E11. April 9.

RAF (retd) Sir, Is the board of Rolls-Royce so young that it cannot remember the debt we all owe to the Merlin engine? Surely Mr Dodd should be allowed not only to be proud of the fact that he sits behind one when he drives, but also to acknowledge the fact.

From Wing Commander J. L. Nunn,

Yours faithfully, I. L. NUNN. Yew Tree Cottage, Hambledon. Portsmouth

and brain death

n Mr J. M. K. Spalding The Director General of the states (April 10) of the mana death programmes: "The inal programme aroused concern be medical world: that concern was met by the second pro-mme." Such an astonishing view the second programme can only supported by someone dependent BEC TV for his information.

n the second programme the "s case depended on two cases ged by one of Panorama's wit-ses to demonstrate that the lish Criteria of brain death were dequate. That witness has now refore falls out of Panoruma's

Newspapers tincluding The Times) recognized the importance of the admission and reported it. BBC TV news apparently did not. Lacking further explanation from the BBC the public may conclude that the BBC TV was trying to cover up for the Panarana team. the Panorana teem Yours faithfully. J. M. K. SPALDING. Shotover Cleve, Headington,

Right to work

Oxford.

April 10.

From Mrs Paul Hayar Sir. Bernard Levin's admitable article (April 8) debunking the myth of the "right to work" misses a crucial point which will only be

comprehensible to those lucky enough to have received some teaching in the elements of gram-

The fact is that the "right to ' (as a verb) has become confused with the "right to work" (as a noun). The furmer right I suspect we would all defend; the latter, to work in the sense of "a job", is a nonsense, as Bernard Levin rightly points out.

It is as though the "right to marry" had been translated into former an abstract right in prin-ciple, the latter specific and depen-dent upon someone else being will-

Yours faithfully, DEBORAH HAYTER, 28 Patshull Road NW5. April 9.

vent the entry of male fiances to the United Kingdom, to marry girls in

immigration show a dangerous change away from that tradition.

The rebels out to win with guns and a prayer

Trevor Fishlock, in the first of three articles on the guerrilla war in Afghanistan, reports from inside the Mujahidin stronghold of Torabora

bera war camp bears witness to its importance as a Mujabidin base. Russian gonships have bombed and rocketed it many times; the doctor is still swabbing stinging lodine on shrappel gashes after the last raid, but the guerrillas are grinning and their black and white flag flies fauntly, a sort of thumbed nose. The Russians have failed to blast them from their mountain crevices and Mujahidin confidence, vigour and capability are growing.

Atter 12 days in Afghanistan, including three among the 200 Mujahidin lodged in this hide-out above the roaring Agam river, I left with a clear impression of a guerrilla force increasingly well organized, armed and supplied.

In this 422 22 1020 After 12 days in Afghanistan,

In this area at least the traditional picture of yelling motley bands of wild and ill-disciplined tribesmen is no longer accurate. Fierceness, ruthlessness and devotion to fighting remain their uneroded stock in trade. But to these qualities have been grafted a strong command structure and

a sense of order and purpose. The Mujahidin in Nangabar province have not only consolidated—they have also extended their area of control by driving covernment sympathizers out. They believe they are getting the enemy's measure and their evident good morale derives from the feeling that strength is growing in their sinews.

Torabora is the headquarters of one of the new breed of mountain chiefs of Afghanistan. Abdul Khayum is a thoughtful and courteous former geo-graphy teacher, ased 30, who has exchanged his Jalalabad classroom for this 2,000ft eyric, and his books for bandoliers, a ing on our own soil. Soviet Kalashnikov automatic grow still stronger."

The blackened rubble of Tora-, rifle and a belt with a couple bora war camp bears witness of full 30-round magazines stuck

Abdul Khayum is a province commander. From Torabora he plans and directs attacks on Russian and Afghan army positions throughout Nangahar province, and especially in the city of Jalalabad, 32 miles to the north, the scene of constant

There are four major com-manders under him, and each of these heads about a dozen groups of about 30 men whohave their own sub-commanders. The relationship between

commanders and men is easy and informal, but the leader have genuine authority. Many of them are former teachers and count former students among their men.

among their men.

A typical group going out on a raid has, as I saw, about 15 Kalashnikovs, a light machine gun on a bipod, an assortment of rifles, full amountion pouches and belts, and one or two Soviet shoulder-held rocket-propelled grande launchers. propelled grenade launchers, with youths, like powder monkeys, carrying the grenades. All the men bere are Nan-gabar men, fighting on their home ground and for it. They spend most of their time in the province and when they go to Pakistan it is usually to visit their families who are refugees. Abdul Khavum is a prudent man. "This is going to be a long war and we have to concentrate on building our reserves of weapons and ammunition. We need some means of bringing down the helicopters, more bullets and more medical supplies. These things will come

if we are patient. In 15 months since the Russiana came we

have grown much stronger and we have the advantage of fight-

ing on our own soil. We will

Mujahidin guerrillas with a (win-barrelled 20 millimetre cannon carried in pieces to their camp. war is to harass government troops and installations by

commando raids, and to ambush

lorries and troop carriers. The Mujahidin always my to remieve

ammunition

Weapons

during their attacks. "The hope in the long term is a Kalashnikov for every man", Abdul Khayum said. The Mujahidin have sympa-thizers in the demoralized and depleted Aghan army who are conduits for arms, and especi-ally for ammunition. Sometimes bullets are given, sometimes sold for up to 50 pence a Kalashnikov round. Deserting soldiers frequently give their guns to the Mujahidin before heading for Pakistan, or they simply throw in their lot with the rebels. A number of men showed me their army identity

snowed me their army locality cards.

"A few months-ago a young Afghan army officer, Naqib. Ullah, who had been supplying arms to the Mujahidin, drove out of Jalalahad at the wheel of an armoured troop carrier. It now lies wrecked in a gully some miles from Torabora, and the raffish Naqib Ullah, who looks like a young Errol Flynn,

His prime means of waging is now a Mujahidia group com-

The guerrillas have no radio system, which is probably to their advantage, and operate without maps; they know their land too well to need them. Abdul Khayum receives re-quests and reports in writing and sends messengers with his

There are no women Torabora. It is not a village in the usual sense, but a base where fighting men group, prewhere fighting men group, pre-pare and rest after anacks. Their needs are eminently simple and their monotonous diet cousists of flat, hard wheat bread baked on iron dishes, a sort of spinach, occasional glutinous rice sprinkled with the juice of bitter oranges, and sometimes sprinkled with the Juce of bitter oranges, and sometimes the luxury of a potato or an eag. Their most important requirement from Jalalabad, spart from amminition, is green and black tea and the sugar which is their main energy source.

On my way in to Torabora, after a three day march over the mountains from Pakistan, the Mujahidin supply volumn I was with, had to skirt a vil-

energy source.

lage a few miles down the Agam river because it was being shelled by tanks and pounded by helicopter gun-

"That is my village", Abdul Khayum said. "My own house and garden was smashed a year ago and my wife and children escaped to Pakistan." Torabora's location protects it from tank or artillery fire, but helicopters can still get into the gorge to wretk the strongbold's scattered mud and stone buildings. The guerrillas had three Russian 20 millimetrs machine guns sited in the hill-sides to fight these attacks. And a few days ago they installed two brand new twin barrelled 20 millimetre cannon which

They came from Jalalabad ". Abdul Khayum said cryptically each of the gun emplecements is manned around the clock. Each has a cave for living and a magazine store, with a rock door, dug into the mountain-

they humped up the gorge in



Mujabidin here. It is part of the basis of their belief that an important contribution to the high spirits which charac-terize Torabora's community and the groups I met on the

50 miles

well cared-for guns. It often seems that their prayers have become an assertion of their

PAKISTAN.

plains to the north.

But also important is their faith. The five times a day ritual of prayer is observed by the majority of the men. They finger their prayer beads as lovingly as they stroke their

The development of their stripping off his bandolier and fire power, and the swelling laying down his rifle before of their armoury is a source of saying his prayers at sunset considerable pride among the said "We pray, we win."

If there had been a third man at Fermanagh

by John Hume, leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party

The election of a hunger striker in the Maze prison is a pointed reminder of just how deeply the Northern Ireland community is divided. Only a fraction of the 30,000 voters who elected him support violence—that has been proved in election after election, and poll after poll of public

A far greater proportion of his vote came from people who are genuinely concerned about the prison problem and who felt that they were voting for a bumanitarian solution of it. But the great majority of the votes came from people who were voting against Unionism and in support of their Irish identity, as they have done for generations. For them any anti-Unionist candidate is better than a Unionist, regardless of his back-

ground or connexions, I believe that in these circumstances Parliament must not expel Mr Robert Sands.

Above all, this election Above all, this election demonstrates how damaging the "first past the post" electoral system is in Northern Ireland's circumstances. In finely balanced constituencies like Fermanagh and South Tyrone, Westminster elections give rise to a hue and cry for "unity" candidates. Of its very nature that urge has a polarizing effect on both communities, and drives on both communities, and drives

them to their polar extremes.

Parties of change and movement are at a disadvantage; the ment are at a disadvantage; the electorate tends to rally to the candidates who most loudly proclaim allegiance to traditional aspirations; the urge is to maximize the sectarian vote to keep "the other side" out. All medium term and long-term considerations are swept aside.

Social Democratic and Eastern Party would have faced the electorally unforgivable charge of handing the seat to the Unionists with the resulting overall damage to the party permanent standing. Subsequently, and after the close of nominations, Mr Maguire with drew his candidature in peculia and unexplained circumstance leaving Mr Sands alone in the field.

In the Westminster ele-tion of February 1974, ac sectarian tendency led to a landslide against the power-sharing executive, even though the opinion polls showed that a large majority of the votes favoured the executive.

Proportional representation is vital for all elections in Northern Ireland; otherwise the rocess of political change will be brought to a halt .. or. wen reversed, by periodic tribal con-

The stark fact of this elec-tion is that no perceptible element among the Canolic population could envisage vot-ing for the British compaion in any circumstances. In however, equally true the perceptible element more Protestant population would be prepared to vote for all anti-Unionist candidate of watever kind. That fundamental cleavage remains.

On each side of the divide On each side of the divide people cling to old aspections, which basically involve a surrender of identity and aspirations by "the other side". But the politics of congrest are sterile, unrealistic and lopeless. It is impossible to force people to be what they are act, or to prevent them being that they are. A way must be found of accommodating both spoirations within a framework which allows people to be what they are, and which enables them to are, and which enables them to cooperate together a govern-ment without prejudic to their

ment without prejudic to their basic identity.

That has been the policy of the Social Demogratic and Labour Party from the beginning. We have acceeded in persuading the grat majority of anti-Unionists of follow us, and we have agracted some Protestant support. though Protestant support, though minimal.

In PR elections where voters are released from sectarian

ism in the ascendant. The attitude of Unionists is named and inevitable. In the strateles of the early part of this century they won the contest. The Northern Ireland was created for them and g chosen sectarianism as found themselves trapped that same sectarianism

pressures we have maintained

a significant level of support

for our position. We will con-

tinue to do so. But ultimately

any political party must be able to show its followers some movement, some hope of pro-gress inwards achievement of their palicies.

The most disturbing aspect of Northern Ireland politics is

that there has been no similar modification of the Unionist position. If anything, Unionist leading have drifted steadily to

the right. Those unionst leaders who prempted to rethink tradi-

tional artitudes were quickly dispatched at the polls. Paisley-

is inevitable that they reard any movement away from the present position as a valory for "the other side". present circumstances they prisopers of their own tory and cannot change, perefore the circumstances ist be changed.

ost be charged.

Present political arrange
ents are the result of a

ngthy struggle at the be
nning of this century to shape relationships between e peoples of these islands. The #21 settlement has not proas not meant to be a final entlement. The whole matter of elationships between Ireland In this election, with Mr Noel and Britain has not been Maguire, brother of the pre-thoroughly or finally worked yious MP in the field, the but. That is a task requiring Social Democratic and Labour surgent attention and thankfully the sovereign governments in London and Dublin have set their minds to it at last.

The process begun by the two Prime Ministers in January promises a new framework of relationships within these islands which could transform the context of the Northern freland problem. In those new circumstances of closer the two islands, it will be easier out of the trenches without fear of the erosion of their identity.

In creating a new framework we do not have to be bound by any existing or previously existing models. The time is right for courageous and imaginative

leadership in London, Dublin and Belfast.

There is a unique relationship between Ireland and Britain. Our history has bound us together with economic, social, cultural and political ties to institutional expression to that relationship is not to undermine the basic interests of the Northern Ireland majority but rather to give them added security.

That new security would change the political circum-stances within Ireland itself and make possible an end to our age-old conflict and give adequate expression to the statement of Irish identity so forcefully expressed by the majority of the electorate in Fermanagh and South Tyrone.

In the meantime, I hope that sounds from London of threats by the mother of parliaments to expel a democratically and legally elected member—whatever his views or however un-palatable they are—have no foundation. Is it the West-minster Parliament who will decide who sits there, or the electorate? In essence they would be saying to the electorate in Fermanagh and South Tyrone: "Send us someone who more to our liking in a new

election ". They would find no self respecting democrat in Northern freland to participate in such an election. In addition they would give enormous credence to the physical force movement. whose essential argument is that the ballot box is a waste Jear

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Bernard Levin

A fond pip pip to my priggish friends

I suppose I ought to annoy the food prigs once more before I go. I have been back to Pere Bise, and on the same trip I visited the legendary Girardet for the first top of that discovered Chez Pierre, which I had never even heard. So if the prigs will kindly finish their baked beans, and my gastronomic and professorial pen friend will pour out a glass of something pleasant and settle down to enjoy himself, you

shall hear. Eusiness took me to Montreux which was in itself a nostalgic journay, for it was the first place I went to on my very first visit abroad, more decades ago than I care to remember. (I can even remember the name of the hotel I stayed at on that occasion: the Bonivard). And just along the road from Montreux, in a suburb of Lausanne called Crissier, there stands the restaurant of Fredy Girardet, of whom I have heard many good judges say that it can compare with the best in France: a large claim. You can indeed eat well in Switzerland, and I often have (at the Veltliner Keller in Zurich, for instance, the Euler in Basie, and Chesa Veglia in St Moritz), but a comparison with the best in France is another matter, and I have long felt the need to judge for myself. So I did; but the night before I lunched chez Girardet I went into Vevey to try Chez Pierre, which I had found in a little booklet called La route Suisse des plaisirs de la table (if the publishers of it, who seem, to constitute a kind of club

rather like the organization of

Relais de Campagne restaurants, are reading this, I would be grateful if they would send me an up-to-date

aux raisins, poached in a lovely truf-fly sauce which I mopped up with about three-quarters of a loaf of the wickedly delicious home-baked dark bread Pierre Bethaz provides. (The pips had not been removed from the grapes. I didn't mind, indeed it was nice to have something which crunched amid the smoothness, but I feel obliged to mention it thus, as it is the kind of item that particularly upsets the prigs). Hesitating over the next course, I took M Bethar's advice and had the poussin our morilles, nor did I regret it, for it was buried beneath a huge mound of the delicious little crinkly mushrooms, and the bird was as tender as whipped cream. Three or four cheeses later, I took a melange of five miniature sorbets: I foolishly forgot to note them, and can only remember the lemon and the pas-

I drank Swiss throughout, of course, a nice crisp Algle with the foie gras and a Dézaley with the bird; I am always pleasantly surprised by Swiss wine, and wish I prised by Swiss witte, and wish a saw more of it. I went to bed well pleased with life, and reflecting that with the memory of Chez Pierre under my belt, I was well equipped case I was disappointed at

Girardet.
O, but I wasn't! It is beautifully and tastefully decorated, and as soon as I sat down I realized why it is necessary to book there a month in advance; there is room for only 44 diners. Lucky 44, and lucky 1 to be one of them, for the meal which

version, in which it is poached in wine vinegar with walnut oil added, and to go on with La côtelette de pigeon aux choux verts, but the head watter suggested that I might like to take a demi-portion of the fole gras and follow it by another entree.
To this wise proposal I naturally assented with alacrity, and settled for lobster, which came with a sauce

of langoustines, and slices from a truffle that must have been the size of a football. The whole proceedings, I should mention, were preceded by a wedge of tarte, a variation on pissaladière, and what with that and the foie gras (the vinegar setting off the richness of the meat in a most notable man-ner) and the lobster (fresh as though it had been caught in Lac Leman that very morning) my appetite was quite whetted for the pigeon. It came

wrapped in the inner leaves of the chour vert—an odd combination on paper, but the vegetable's mildness was a fine foil for the strong meat of the pigeon. I had been drinking Krug as an aperiit, and went on with it up to the pigeon, with which I drank a good powerful Dôle, also very suitable for the gamy little bird.

Girardet's cheese trolley is a noble sight, so lavish that it includes three Gruyeres-sale, mi-doux and doux, I had the middle one, together with a rich Vacherin, a Tomme Vaudoise, and a couple of local cherres, and by the time I had finished I was seri-ously doubting whether I could man-age more than another couple of

copy). There is a brasserie downstairs, and a tiny restaurant up; up
I went.

I began with the foie gras chaud
aux raisins, poached in a lovely truftellerie du Moulin de Maine-Brun at Angoulême, and then Girarder's selection of sorbets, which includes grapefruit and tea — the last so unexpected that for the life of my I could not put the name to the taste, and had to ask. The whole meal was perfect, and perfectlybalanced; vaut le voyage. I did not feel like much dinner that

night, so I spent the evening thinking about the morrow and Pere Bise. The morrow dawned sunny, and got The morrow dawned sunny, and got suppier as I approached; when I arrived, the lake was sparkling, a handsome swan floating majestically at the edge. Inside, nothing had changed; Madame's smile was as welcoming as ever, and soon after I had dispatched the parfait de foie d'oie I was listening to the sound of the meunière butter bubbling on my omble chevalier, that rare lish, like the most delicately pink-fleshed trout, that is said to be found nowhere but in Lake Geneva and Lake Annecy. That hadn't changed, either, Annecy. That hadn't changed, either, but tarragon being out of season, I couldn't have my usual poularde braisée a la crème d'estragon; instead, I had it aux truffes (about a hundredweight of them), and readily succumbed to the suggestion of the other half when I had dispatched the first lot along with some rice and a lightly-dressed lettuce salid. (Old man Bise used personally to pinch the bosom of every chicken admitted to his kitchen, rejecting sans phrases any with even a hint of toughness. I have no doubt the process is still

Only three cheeses, for I knew what was coming, and knew also that justice not only had to be done, but had to be manifestly seen to be fact that I confined myself, when the desserts appeared, to some strawberries, some Chinese gooseberries (you and the Trade Descriptions Act can call them Kiwifruit if you like, but I shall go on addressing them by the name under which I first met them) and a vanilla ice.

And then, to finish, the grandest of all the grands specialités of that beloved maison; the marjolaine, a gateau that looks like a brick and melts in the mouth-like soun sugar, its quality never diminished by the twentieth part of a hair's breadth inthe 25 years I have been going there. I had been drinking Sancerre right

up to the chicken, with which I plan-ned to drink a half-bottle of 1970-Montrose, but there were no halves left, and—true to my policy of moderation at table—I felt that a whole bottle ar that point might be overdoing things. So I accepted the suggestion of a wine I had never even heard of, with a name—Couvent des Jacobins—like a donnish joke.
You couldn't mistake it for a grand cru, of course, but it was full of character, and the half-bottle was just enough for the chicken and the

I took my coffee outside in the sunshine, and did not think of the prigs at all, though I raised my armagnac to the Professor. But I didn't feel like much dinner that night, either.

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being followed today).

Please someone, come and take a shine to me

Where have all the window cleaners gone? It is four years since an eager washer with ladder and chamois called at my house, promising to return every month to keep the daylight flowing in. I have not seen him or any of his like since, and I know I am not alone in

and I know I am not alone in finding them a remarkably clusive brotherhood of men.

You would think that in these times of high unemployment and the wholesale shedding of factory jobs, a window cleening ground would be the ideal burness for a redundant ideal business for a redundant man to start up. Minimal capital will provide you with lad-der, leathers and a bicycle, and plastic bucket costs only a raction of the quantity of Best London bitter it will hold. So

where are they all? lim Cook, who works for a Lendon office window cleaning irm, is in New York this week leaning windows of the Empire leaning windows with the leaning windows with the leaning windows windows with the leaning windows with the leaning windows with the leaning windows with the le

height above Fifth Avenue. Cook won the doubtful Cook won the doubtful expenses-paid privilege by entering a competition on the label of a vodka bottle. I can only think he demolished most of the contents before setting down which particular dream he would like to come true. Cook, who used to clean the topmost windows of the Post Office Tower before they closed

the restaurant, told me he would not care to be a selfemployed domestic window cleaner in England. People do not want their windows cleaned when it is raining, which it does a great deal, so there is money to be made only in fine weather. householders never And

seem to be in when the window cleaner calls. The trouble and strife of trying to collect the money afterwards, according to Cook, tends to negate all the attractions of the job, like freedom, fresh air and all those other little bonuses that George Formby used to sing

windows myself, enduring white knuckles, vertigo, paralysing the knuckles, vertigo, paralysing fear and greasy streaks—and that is only on the ground floor. I wish someone down my way would start up one of these small between the control of the co those small businesses which Mrs Thatcher seems to believe are the answer to industrial redundancy. It would provide work, and save me from a broken neck.

Great escapist

detect a considerable regival of interest in the works of Dornford Yares, the mannered, witty escapist novelist who is usually associated with the twenties but who in fact died only in 1960.

Penguin plan to reissue three of the Berry and Co novels this summer, and BBC Television is considering another dramatized series. Six of the original Yates titles are still in print, and continue to sell well. But the best news for Yates enthusiasts is that the first thorough biography of this



"Nigel says that in time they'll be able to detect race riots from outer space."

don almost its entire general publishing list. The manuscript has been escued by Hodder and rescued by Hodder and Stoughton, who hope to pub-lish it next February. Little is known about Yates,

barrister named C. W. Mercer, lived in Franca until chased out by the Germans in 1940, and speut most of the rest of his life in Rhodesia, where he was commissioned in the army. He wrote his first short story in 1911 and maintained a substantial output until two years before his death.

"Yates still has a tremendous public", Smithers told me. "His style is very Harrowand-Oxford, Shake-speare-and-water, but he wrote excellent, if pedantic, English, and he was a thundering good storyteller." Smithers has tracked down many of Yates's close associates, including his bank manager; by coincidence Smithers's daughter was born in Yates's former house at Wal-Yates's former house at Wal-mer, Kent, now a nursing home.

Hidden plot Wild woodland 15 minutes' walk-

from King's... Cross station? Well, something like it, anyway, has come to light after lying hidden for years. The triangular plot of just

mental garden soon after its enclosure in the 1850s. There is no public access into it, and the only means of entry is through It has mature chestnut, lime, ash and plane; elm went with

the disease. There are saplings, scrub and undergrowth, and fewer broken bottles, old bedsteads and tips of rubble than you would expect. Jays have been sighted, and it is a haunt of Barnsbury's owls. The people whose houses back on to it have never really had the right to enter it, and they don't much, though they kept chickens there during the war.

Islington council bought it in 1973 for purposes now abandoned, and is now considering its sale for private housing. The surrounding residents, unhappy at the prospect, have formed a Barnsbury Wood Cooperative for its preservation. They make the rather grand claim that it is " an esmblished

but neglected ecological park". The word "ecology" is a weapon of modern manufacture much employed in the war-

to Highgate conetery to be shown what name is like if left to itself.

Figing on a Pre-American Boeing 747 last week. I was disturbed by an avertising slogar on the inside of the aircraft door, just above the emergency escape chute container, which declared deer ully: Say hello to a bond new world."

Pray, sus...

Representatives of the Jewish community in their first formal discussion with the Church of England, have complained that

Canon Feier Schneider, an Anglican's Perticipant in the meeting is new asking for it to be withdrawn in favour of Stoughton, who hope to publish it next February.

Little is known about Yates, except that he was really a fell into neglect as an orna- would not have to go all the way offence.

The Roman Catholic Church agreed several years ago to rid its public prayers, particularly those on Good Friday, of such pursees as "the perfidious" Jows". It is all the more surprising, therefore, that this Auglican prayer got into the new book without being chal-lenged. It may be explained by the fact that Jewish-Anglican relations have only just been put on a formal basis, amidst, I may say, much goodwill.

The French never lose their sense of chic, not even at the security check at Charles de Gaulle airport, Paris. A col-England, have complained that league watched a woman pas-tine new Anglican Alternative senger present herself jor Service Book contains more than a high of antisemitism. It comes in the inird Collect for a huge and potentially lethal use on Good Friday, which having which was regarded comes in the init of antisemitism. It comes in the init of Collect for a huge and potentially lethal use on Good Friday, which that it is angle by the guards. Seeks Godd mercy on the Jews suspiciously by the guards, and asks that they be cured of "ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt for your chepean if faut absolutions." She was whisked through with adoring smiles of understanding, fully equipped to open whelks or stab the entire crew in the back.

Alan Hamilton

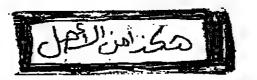
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British banks ready to postpone Polish debt payment

British banks are in favour of a proposal to postpone Poland's payments of second-quarter commercial debts. The propusal emerged during discus-sions between Poland's Western creditors in London.

The postponement plan envisage. Poland continuing to pay interest on the approximately \$1,000m of capital due to be repaid in the current quarter. Poland had asked for suspension of interest and prin-cipal payments.

But it was reported last night that some American banks would prefer that interest on the debt be repaid at a higher, penalty rate. On the whole, the American banks have taken a barder line throughout the regardations. negotiations.

A taskforce of up to 20 banks, representing more than 400 banks, has hammered out the basis of an agreement with Bank Handlowy, the Polish foreign trade bunk, which will be discussed at another meeting in London on Thursday, Poland owes the banks \$3,100m in principal this year.

Under last night's proposed deal, commercial loans of more than one year's maturity will be rolled over monthly between the end of March and the end

to Western banks the rolling over could end earlier.

But the size of Poland's short-term debt—for a year or less—is causing some concern. The interim plan does not cover these debts, which are believed to be held largely by Swiss and French banks. France has aunounced its willingness to make further credits to Poland.

While the commercial banks

While the commercial banks have been agonizing over their problems, finance ministers meeting in Basle for discussions on bolstering the International Monetary Fund's linances, said they thought agreement could be reached on rescheduling the \$4,400m official debt owed by Poland this year. Representatives of various governments are due to meet their Polish counterparts in While the commercial banks

their Polish counterparts in Paris at the end of April. Bi-lateral agreements between the countries might follow in May. Both banks and governments must start soon on a comprehensive rescheduling of Poland's debt for the rest of 1981 and beyond.

It is feared that not all banks will agree. Although the talks are being coordinated by the task force final agreement will task force, final agreement will have to be made between the individual banks and Poland. It is pointed out that the agent for a syndicated loan cannot be of June. It agreement is reached responsible for payments to on a full rescheduling of banks which are not a party to Poland's entire \$12,700m debt the agreement.

Bankers agree to lend IMF \$1,200m

Basie, April 13 The central bankers of the main western industrial countries today agreed in principle to lend 1,000 million special drawing rights (about \$1,200m) to the International Monetary

Fund. The loan, which is needed to build up the IMF's rapidly diminishing figuidity, is meant to flank the \$16,000m financing agreed recently between the fund and Saudi Arabia. It was not immediately clear whether the hankers from the

group of 10 countries and Switzerland would put the finishing touches to the deal during what remains of their two-day meeting here, although one central banker remarked that the agreement reached was as good as final.

Britain is thought to be pre

Britain is thought to be pre-pared to lend its part of the 1,000 million SDR package directly to the Fund while other central banks—notably those of countries with balance of payments deficits—are thought likely to arrange their there of the financing through share of the financing through the agency of the Bank for In-ternational Settlements.

Eut the loan scheme will not end the problems of the IMF. It now appears as if next month's meeting of the Fund's interim and development com-mittees in Gabon could turn

into an acrimonious clash between the developing and industrialized the western countries.

London said today that the dis-cussions spelled "bad news" for the least developed countries.

It would appear that the United States and Britain adopted an extremely reserved attitude towards proposals from M René Monory, the French economics minister, to establish new facilities at the IMF to aid the poorest developing countries through their financial difficulties.

the London meeting passed off smoothly.

Neither the London meeting nor that of the central bankers in Basie brought any clarity to the debate over a concerted lowering of interest rates. The United States, represented by Mr Donald Regan, the Treasury Secretary, maintained that high interest rates were necessary to combat inflation.

This position was backed by Herr Karl-Otto Pobl of the German federal back, who is embroiled in a controversy with Herr Helmut Schmidt, Chancellor of West Germany who, with the French would like to see interest rates fall.

Pound slips as dollar gains ground

Sharply higher dollar interest rates sent the United States currency soaring and gold plunging on world financial markets vesterday. Sterling sank to its lowest level against the dollar for more than a year.

Friday's increase in prime rates by two leading United

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yesterday by several others, and
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supply flourer from 2 big life higher-than-expected money supply figures gave a big lift to Euro-dollar deposit rates.
Three-month Euro-dollar deposits closed more than a percentage points up on Friday at 16 11/16 per cent.
The dollar opened higher after gains over the weekend and remained firm all day, closing in London at DM11703, up 1.76 pfennigs from Friday. Its

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trade weighted index, measured against a basket of leading currencies, rose 1.0 to 102.5, its highest level since the present method of calculating the index was adopted at the beginning of February.

Easing tension in Poland and the Middle East and the stron-ger dollar hurt gold which closed in London at \$471.50, down \$21 from Friday.

The pound fell to \$2.1520 at one stage during the day before recovering to close down 1.75 cents on Friday at \$2.1645, its lowest point since the beginning of April last year. But it was down only fractionally on was down only fractionally on Continental currencies and its trade-weighted index fell just 0.3 to 98.9.

High Street banks face mounting industrial action over unilateral pay award

Lloyds forces staff to take 10 pc pay offer

By David Felton

Lloyds Bank is implementing a 10 per cent pay offer to staff at the end of this month against the wishes of the Banking Insurance and Finance Union.

The person given to delegates at the

The news, given to delegates at the Bifu conference in Blackpool yesterday, was immediately greeted with the threat of an increase in the industrial action, already planned, after Easter. Other banks will follow suit, but may other banks will follow suit, but hay not pay the increase until next month. The bank's offer has been accepted by the Clearing Banks Union, but Bifu, its TUC-affiliated rival, is holding

nut for more.

Bifu has already called a 24-hour strike by 8,000 staff in banks and cash centres in several large provincial

towns and the West End of London for Thursday next week in protest at the offer. he offer.

A ballot of about 500 data processors A ballot of about 500 data processors who work at Lloyds computer centre at Samson House in the City, has also been sanctioned. The results will be known next Tuesday, and if there is a majority for action, the staff will join the areaday spike.

the one-day strike.

About 30 staff in Lloyds' Registrar's About 30 start in Lioyus Registrar's department at Durrington, Surrey, who handle share registrations, are also to be balloted. The Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs will ballot its own members in Midland Bank to see whether they will so the Rifu action. join the Bifu action.

Mr John Hargraves, a Bifu assistant secretary, last night accused

Lloyds of breaking an agreement with the union by implementing the 10 per cent increase for higher grade staff.

"It is now off with the gloves if they are going to play that way. I am absolutely disgusted at the action of the bank and it is clear we are now dealing with dishonourable men.", he

The conference backed next week's The conterence backed next week's 24-hour strike which is to be followed by an overtime ban and work to rule and a ballot of all its 72.000 clerical and managerial staff members in the five English clearing banks on industrial action.

Mr Kenneth Posler, Bifu vice-president, told the conference that last year the banks made profits of £1,400m

and could well afford to pay more than 10 per cent.

"The issue is now wider than pay and concerns the elementary principle of whether a trade union can negotiate for lits members", he said.

The conference reaffirmed its determination not to enter joint negotiations on 'pay and conditions with the CBU. Mr Leif Mills, Bifu general secretary, said the employers had a vested interest in promoting the CBU which, he believed, had no credibility.

Mrs Patricia Hart, a member of the

he believed, had no credibility.

Mrs Patricia Hart, a member of the union executive, claimed the banks had decided to ask staff to transport amounts up to £20,000 in their cars as part of contingency measures to circumvent the effects of a programme of industrial of, industrial action.

Details of gilts deals go to Stock Exchange

By Rosemary Unsworth About 30 stockbroking firms About 30 stockbroking firms yesterday responded to the Stock Exchange's call for information on dealings with Farrington Stead, the Manchester gilts fund management group, whose £2m debt to Hedderwick Stirling Grumbar, stockbrokers resulted in Hedstockbrokers, resulted in Hedderwick being hammered on

The Exchange's accounts committee had issued a notice to all broking members yester-Friday. day morning asking for a return on all transactions with Farring-ton Stead in which either stock was owing, money outstanding or deals in the course of registration.

All the 30 brokers who res-ponded were based in London and the provinces, and simply reported that they had had dealings in the past.

A Stock Exchange spokesman said last night there was no evidence to give the committee countries.

Forces close to yesterday's meeting of finance ministers in London said today that the line of the countries any cause for worry over other brokers' liquidity as a result of deals with Farrington Stead.

At the same time Quilter Hilton Goodison, which was to have merged with Hedderwick on Friday, said that it would look after any of Hedderwick's. 5,000 private clients who needed broking services. Quilters also ennounced that it was offering jobs to 20 Hedderwick

It had planned to take on 70 employees and 10 Hedderwick proprietors, but the latter have been disbarred as Stock Exchange members as part of the

Mr Colin Malcolmson, head Mr Colin Malcolmson, nead of Quilter's private client department which looks after 20,000 clients, said: "Hedderwick's was a volume business. Never before has there been a hammering of a firm that has afformed to many private affected so many private

Mr Martin Fidler, the Stock Exchange's official assignee, was appointed as liquidator to Hedderwick yesterday morning. Headerwick yesterday individuals. He said that the first creditors' meeting will be on April 24 when information on the full extent of assets and liabilities would be revealed.

would be revealed.

Preferential creditors would include Hedderwick's staff who are owed back pay for work this month, government departments, including the Inland Revenue and Customs and Excise for VAT. Banks and jobbers were not included as preferential creditors.

Mr Fidler said that proceed-

Mr Fidler said that proceedings had been started to try to recover the £2m owed by Farrington Stead. Farrington Stead has been a

licensed dealer since January, 1980, operating from central Manchester. Its current licence is due to expire next January. Ir was set up by Mr G. W. Farrington, an actuary, Mr H. Stead, who is understood to be a former insurance broker, Mr M. Barnfather, a chartered accountant and Mr R. Carter. None was able to be reached for comment yesterday.

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Sir Anthony Salt of Williams de Broe, stockbrokers, said yesterday that discussions with a few employees in Hedderwick's gilt department—which was not included in the Quilter merger—had been discontinued since Friday's events.

The fam debt which precipit The £2m debt which precipi-

tated the collapse was incurred by Hedderwick's gilts department, where there were two Stock Exchange inquiries in the

Hopeful signs that worst of recession may be over

Clifford Webb

Some sections of British industry may be experiencing the first tentative signs that the recession has passed its worst point. But the picture is far from uniform, and output continues to fall in key sectors. According to new Government figures, manufacturing industry has seen its first overall monthly rise in production since the auxumn of 1979.

After 15 months of countries and output figures, manufacturing industry has seen its first overall monthly rise in production since the auxumn of 1979. tion since the autumn of 1979.
After 15 months of cominuous decline, manufacturing output rose in February by just under

I per cent.

Hopes that this might presage
an cud to the decline are
strengthened by evidence of returning business confidence in
the hard-bit West Midlands. A
survey of the region shows that
17 per cent of firms are forecasting improved profitability,
compared with 9 per cent in
December.

At the same time, the number
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expecting a further deteriora-tion in profits has fallen sharply from 71 to 43 per ceut. Weak investment is still widespread, but for the first time in nine months there is now some indimonths there is now some indicarion of improvement. About

docks' £6m

By Michael Eaily Shipping Correspondent The Mersey Dock Company lost £6.25m last year, almost all in severance and fall-back pay,

preliminary results disclosed.

take voluntary severance by the month's end, if Government

month's end, if Government support is to continue, 613 have so far applied and chairman Sir John Page gave warning that without Government support, Mersey would run out of cash within months, a receiver would probably be called in, and "life will be far more unpleasant for far more people than under the present arrangements."

of the company's 20,000 stockholders, nearly half hold fewer than 100 and 86 per cent fewer than 500 shares.

Some £3.4m was spent last

year on fall-back pay for dockers with no work, and, £2.4m on severance. More omin-

f2.4m on severance. More omin-ously, perhaps, revenue dropped for the first time in the port's bistory from £67m to £66m, despite inflation. Sir John blamed the state of the economy and world recession. But be-cause Liverpool's deep sea trades had been harder hit

Mersey

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of firms are forecasting an increase in labour over the next three months; 61 per cent believe they can keep their existing workforce, while those still shedding labour have fallen from 38 per cent to 31 per

In spite of the encouraging news, chambers of commerce in the region insist that the rethe region insist that the recession has not yet bottomed
out. Mr Geoffrey Jackson,
vice-chairman of the West Midlands Regional Group of Chambers of Commerce, who carried
out the suryey, said: "Although at first sight some of
the answers might suggest that though at first sight some of the answers might suggest that the worst is over, a fuller an-alysis shows that the sharp down trend in recent surveys is really only beginning to slow down."

However, in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the

Sir John Page

upturn came,

than those with Europe, they could benefit more when the uppure came, "as come it

Trading loss before excep-tional items was up from £1.8m to £3.9m last year; the main-exceptional item, voluntary severance, was down from £5.6m to £2.4m and the loss for the was down from £7.5m to

the year down from £7.5m to £6.25m. Accumulated tax losses

now amount to £67m. Sir John expressed disappoint-

ment that the dockers' union

nationally had urged men not to take the present temporarily

enhanced severance, worth up to £16,000 tax free.

Treasury, claimed that the latest output figures for industry were "hard evidence " that the downturn could be at an end. In support of his claim he pointed to housing starts he pointed to housing starts, which rose sharply in January

Government statisticizins are being more cautions. Manufacturing output in February, they say, "suggests some exising in the rate of decline". When oil extraction, mining, construction and utilities are included, the overall rise in output during February was about the same as for manufacturing alone. However, manufacturing out-

put was still about 16% per cent below the autumn 1979 level, More than two-thirds of the February increase its manufacturing output resulted from steel and beer production. The engineering sector, the biggest, saw a further drop in output. But chemical output where changes often reflect overall economic activity, improved in February.

The increase in beer production is attributed to pre-Budget buying, and steel output partly to restocking.

2,500 fresh steel jobs in prospect

Projects which are expected to lead to the creation of more than 2,500 jobs an steel closure areas are being examined by SC (Industry), the job-creation subsidiary of the British Steel Corporation.

The company announced yes-terday that projects under negotiation would be likely to qualify for more than £2m in training grants from a joint fund established between ESC (Industry) and the European Social Fund.

The purpose of the training grants fund, under which the European Social Fund matches European Social Fund matches an equivalent amount from ESC (Industry) is to encourage new industry in steel closure areas by off-setting the potentially high costs of in-house training. Three companies yesterday

Three companies yesterday announced projects in the steel closure areas of Corby and North Lanarkshire which will lead to the creation of more than 500 jobs. The three projects will receive training grants totalling £300,000.

Me lobe Dumber chief evecut

Mr John Dunbar, chief execumr John Dunbar, chief executive of BSC (Industry) said; we believe that training grants will play an important role in the regeneration of industry in steel areas. This is nationally the case when particularly the case when steelworkers have to learn new skills."

Warburg set to sell metal trade subsidiary By Ronald Pullen

Mercury Securities, the holding company of the S. G. holding company of the S. G. Warburg merchant banking group, is likely to sell the metal trading subsidiary which provided its legendary founder Sir Siegmund Warburg, with his introduction to London's financial markets in the late 1940s.

1940s.

Talks are now going on with Pechiney Ugine Kuhhruann, the French chemicals and aluminium group, which could lead to the sale of Brandels. Goldschmidt for a yet undisclosed sum. Brandels contributed around a quarter of Mercury's after-tax profits of £11.6m in the year ended March. 1980.

The subsidiary is an important ring-dealing member of the

ant ring dealing member of the London Metal Exchange and has scrap refining interests in the United States.

In common with other metal traders Brandeis has had an erratic record over the last few years, with profits swinging from a low of £323,000 in 1978 to £7.80m last year. This steme to £2.89m last year. This steems from the volatile activity on the LME and the cost of financing metal stocks during periods of high interest rates but Brandei's this high interest rates but Erander's has sought to offset this through extending its trade activity to non-ferrous alloys and ore. According to its last published accounts at March 31, 1930 Brandeis had a net asset value excluding deferred tax of 524.8m.

tax of '524.8m.

Explaining Warburg's readiness to sell after an approach from . Pechiney, Mr G. Elliot. vice-chairman of Mercury and chairman of Brandeis, said that Brandeis' trading portfolio was now dominated by industrial metals and it was in the interests of traders to have maximum industrial rater than maximum industrial rater than financial backing. Pechiney is especially strong in ferro-alloys where Brandeis has huilt up its

expertise in recent years. Some savings from the amalgumation of ring-dealing scars on the LME where Pechinery is represented through its Intsel sabsidiary are also expected.

It was Brandeis, at that time m private company, which provided Sigmund Warburg with a desk when he arrived London in the 1949s. He subsequently purchased the shares of the family owners. The small stake owned by RTZ was acquired in the early 1950s.

Proceeds from the sale will be used in the group's mainstream banking business. The move follows the sale of its interest in the D'Arcy-MacManus advertising agency after its merger with the United States Masius group in 1977 but it continues to hold a number of investments outside its main banking business, in-cluding a 30 per cent interest in insurance brokers Stewart Wrightson.

Australian inquiry into oil share dealings

Sydney, April 13.—Officials are investigating rumours that stock market "killings" totaling millions of dollars were made because of an advance leak about problems in an alternative-nergy project. alternative-energy project.
Mr Frank Walker, New South Mr Frank Walker, New South Wales Attorney-General, told the state Parliament that a business watchdog body, the State Corporate Affairs Commission, was conducting a detailed analysis of trading on the Sydney stock market in shares of two companies involved in the Rundle oil shale project in Queensland.

project in Queensland.

Meanwhile, an Esso Australia spokesman confirmed that the

The other partners, Central Pacific Minerals and Southern Pacific Perroleum, hold the mining leases for the shale deposit. Last week the companies announced that the economic viability of the project to produce synthetic crude oil from shale rock was being reassessed because of unexpected technological and geological problems.

lems.

The Opposition Labour Party has alleged that a leak of the problems had enabled people connected with the government to make illegal profits in share trading.

Under New South Wales law, insider trading is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 (£5,300) or five years in jail.

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Rundle partners would meet officials of the Queensland state government in Brisbane tomorrow to discuss the review of the Esso announcement. last two years. Last year the former head of the gilts department was ex-pelled from the Stock Ex-change, Hopes pinned on exclusive new fashion fibre with a silken touch

Mantle of secrecy thrown over ICI fabric

ICPs fibre division, hit by more than 4,000 redundancies last year, is set to launch its first major textile product in a decade. The new fibre, which is being

a decade. The new fibre, which is being shrouded in secrecy—its name has not yet been revealed—is designed to have the finish of silk but he machine-washable. It has been developed at the ICI Pontypool plant in south Wales that bore the brunt of last year's redundancies. It will be launched at the Interstoff fashion and fabric exhibition in Frankfurt next month and initially production will be limited in an attempt to give the product, a new version of polyester fibre, an pe muned in an attempt to give the pro-duct, a new version of polyester fibre, an exclusive image. The fibre is the first result of ICI's stated intention of moving

the division more towards consumer, rather than commodity, product development, a policy decided at the time of last year's redundancies.

ICI has not exhibited at Interstoff, one

ICI has not exhibited at Interstoff, one of the main textile showcases on the international fashiod circuit, for five years. If the new fibre takes off, it appear in British stores early next year: ICI expects that the material will be used mainly in blouses and underwear.

The company's fibre division was last profitable in 1974 and has been severely affected by rising energy costs. It produces

affected by rising energy costs. It produces
Eri-Nylon and Terylene, both of which
are facing fierce competition from
Japanese-made lightweight polyesters.

Last year's announcement of redundancies Last year's announcement of redundancies in ICI was followed by a restructuring of the fibre division. It was decided that the company would produce more speciality products on the grounds that textiles sales during the 1980s were not likely to grow.

The new fibre will be backed by a \$1500.000 advertising and promotion cam-£500,000 advertizing and promotion cam-

2500,000 advertizing and promotion campaign throughout Europe, the first of which will not name the product. The first United Kingdom advertisements will appear at the end of this month in fashion-trade publications. ICI is already planning the introduction of new weights of the fibre to be produced at Pontypool

David Hewson



Temporary curbs put on textile imports

Britain, France and West Germany have been permitted the European Commission to limit imports of textiles origin ating in non-EEC countries that have been routed through member states. The action comes under a special Community 'provision to protect weak industries in member countries, which allows temporary trade barriers to be

between them. Britain will be allowed to limit imports of woven suits produced in Bulgaria until the end of June and West Germany to limin: imports of cotton fab-tics originating in China until the end of October. Prance can now restrict imports of certain historical imports of certain knitted clothing which contain plastic material coming from Taiwan until the end of October and cotton fabrics produced in South Korea until

The measures follow similar limitations imposed by France on- Japanese television sers earlier this year.

Merchant banks call

The United Arab Emirates must restrict the expansion of Banks and branches but pro-move the creation of a few soundly-structured investment or merchant banks, the UAE Central Bank, says in its first armual report. The UAE had many banks, bank branches, mioney-changers and financial companies. But the lack of genuine investment companies and merchant banks was both a Treause and effect of the rudimentary state of the money and capital markets.

Steel slowdown

Japanese crude-steel production fell last year for the first time in three years because of the domestic economic slowdown and an export slump, according to the manufacturers. The Japan Iron and Steel Federation said production in the financial year ending (ast month totalled 107.38 million tonnes a 5 per cent decline from 113.01 million tonnes the previous year after a drop in demand from the construction and civil-engineering indust-

Mobil oil find

Oil has been found in the High Island area of the Gulf of Mexico, 108 miles south-east of Galveston, Texas, where the a Mobil Corporation is develop-ing a natural gas find. Partners with Mobil are Standard Oil Co (Indiana). Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance, Texas Gas Transmission Co and Union Oil Co of California.

Belgium output up

Belgium's seasonally adjusted industrial production index rose by 11.6 per cent in Jan uary from December but was 1.1 per cent below the January, 1980 level, according to the National Statistics Office in

China tourism rise

China earned \$617m (£284m) in foreign exchange last year from its expanding tourist industry, more than a third above the previous year, the official Guangming daily newspaper has reported.

Moscow-Tokyo pact

The Soviet Union and Japan reached a new five-year trade and payments agreement to re-place a previous one that ended last December. The formal signing is expected to take place in Moscow next month.

Austrian prices up

Austria's preliminary March consumer price index last month stood at 126.9 points, 0.8 pe cent above February but 7.2 per cent higher than in March 1980. The 1976 index to describe the interconnexion of text-handling terminals via a telecommunications network.

"At the start, Teletex will use the public telephone network and the packet-switched data service", Mr Benton said.

"Shortly afterwards we shall provide connexions with the telex network, enabling Teletex customers to communicate equals 100.

US coal talks

Negotiations between the Unite dMine Workers of America and the coal industry were resuming today in an effort to end the week-and-a-half old strike, according to a union spokesman in Washington.

Italian output up

Italian industrial output, scasonally adjusted, rose a pro-visional 7.5 per cent in Feb-ruary, after a 1.2 per cent January fall. For the whole year, the index showed a 3.6 per cent fall from February 1980.

BL-Mitsubishi link

Leyland Nigeria, a British Levland affiliate, and Mitsu-bishi are discussing plans to produce two or three tonne Japanese lorries in Nigeria. Bur Mirsubishi says the plans have not been completed.

Trade deficit halved

Japan halved its trade deficit last year thanks to soaring exports, including a 41 per cent rise in vehicle shipments, the Finance Ministry said in Tokyo.

Steel strike call

Metalworkers in the north of their union's central committee to sonction a strike after the collapse of wage talks with em-

UK jobs worry in Philips reshaping

trical multinational, could be at risk in their widespread restructuring to cut 20,000 jobs-mostly in Europe-over the next two years. Britain is a key part of the Philips empire, accounting for 10 per cent of the company's world sales, as well as the same percentage of the total work-

The biggest anxiety over the British operation, which covers many sectors from kitchen appliances and lighting to colour television manufacture and defence equipment, is that its overall profitability is said to be below Philips' international average. With United Kingdom wage levels rising, the costs of production in Britain are now only marginally less than on the Continent where productivity levels are mostly higher.

Philips said in London last night: "It is too early to say what other action may be necessary in the United Kingdom apart from that already in train. Any such plans would first be discussed in the normal course of consultations with our em-

The key question is whether any of the larger British operations is at risk as Philips looks for a radical reduction in plants duplicated in various countries. The company, for example, produces television tubes at nine European plants, and would like to reduce this to two. One of the tube makers is Philips' Mul-lard subsidiary in Eritain, sole producer of

training

board urged

Government industry training

board and have made their support of any reconstituted body conditional.

The Engineering Employers' Federation which has 6,000 members, said that it would

only support a new statutory board if it were controlled by

In its response to the Man

power Service Commission's review of training requirements the EEF said that a substantial proportion of its

membership considered that

the Engineering Industry Training Board should be abolished. It claimed that the

board had putlived its useful-ness in raising the quality and

The EEF claimed that the

present structure of the EITB rendered it insensitive to the

Noting that the Government

and already declared its inten-

tion of retaining statutory boards in key areas—despite the employers opposition—the EEF said that it would support

a restructured board on which employers accounted for half the membership and held the chairmanship.

The EEF also stressed that its

support for any new body would be conditional on the scope of

the reconstituted training board

being widened to encompass all

companies employing engineer-

early next year by British Telecom, the telecommunica-

tions arm of the Post Office.

to describe the interconnexion

Worldwide Teletex standards

minal can be an electric typewriter having an ability to com-municate. A more complex

terminal can be a visual display unit able to perform word-processing and other specialized

Text can be prepared in A4-size pages in either upright or horizontal format. When

prepared, the message is held

in a store in the terminal. The

message can be sent immediately or delayed for later transmission. The store will also receive and hold incoming

messages, for display when

national standards for Tele-text", Mr Benton commented.

I am sure that it will develop rapidly around the world. We

Now that there are inter-

business functions.

required.

network.

real needs of companies.

quantity of training.

the industry.

about the end of this year.

Mullard tube production is running at one million a year being used extensively by other United Kingdom television makers as well as going to Philips' own assembly factories.

Philips makes around 500,000 colour television sets a year in Britain, accounting for a quarter of the United Kingdom market and rather more than a sixth of Philips' European production. Rationalization of Philips' colour tele-vision assembly in Britain-with a Lowes-

toft factory to close in about a year-is already reducing jobs by 1,100 without reduction in production. Rationalization of glass and tube production has cut the workforce by another 850. The relevision assembly is being located

in one factory at Croydon, but even when Lowestoft is closed and all production is transferred, there will still be room for production expansion at Croydon. On relevision assembly Philips has been registering productivity increases of between 10 per cent and 15 per-cent annually for several years.

Whether these rationalization moves ay produce an impregnable argument for maintaining, or even expanding, the United Kingdom tube making operation, together with relevision set assembly, remains to be seen Around 75,000 British-assembled Philips sets are exported tubes in the United Kingdom until Sony - annually,

interest rate policy

West German govern-

ment in Bonn and the country's

independent Central Bank have

fallen our over how to run the economy. Herr Helmut Schmidt,

the Chancellor, in pushing for a policy of lower interest rates

has met unexpectedly tough opposition from Herr Karl-Otto Pöhl, the president of the Federal bank.

Although government spokes-

men in Bonn were today deny-

ing reports of a row between the two men, relations seem to

have deteriorated over the past

Herr Schmidt is under pres-

sure from leftwing colleagues in the Social Democrat party to

stimulate the economy in an

ment rising to an average of 1.2 million this year.

Herr Pöhl, who owes his pre-sent position largely to the sup-port given to him in the past by the Chancellor, is adamant that

battling inflation which is cur-rently around 5.5 per cent, should be the main priority for

In the Federal bank view,

high interest rates are necessary

to stifle inflation and to help the structural adjustment pro-cess that Germany must undergo if it is to get ride of its now huge balance of payments deficits.

The immediate cause of dis-

cord is the plan announced last week under which Germany and France will borrow the equiva-

lent of 5,000 million European

British Telecom to start high-speed

lechnology News

desk-to-desk message service

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policymakers.

Abolition of Discord over Bonn's

At limition in Scotland Philips em-ploys around 1,200. The factory is designated a key world production centre

for lighting fittings and electric shavers Philips makes such designations when various factors, like the strength of a domestic market most favours a factory as a key source for international markets. Hamilton, which also manufactures other small appliances like fan heaters, exports 49 per cent of its output.

Philips main centre for production of larger kitchen appliances in Britain, is at Halifax in Yorkshire where there is a workforce of 600. This is a world production centre for rumbler driers where 600 are employed. But there could still be a uestion mark over at least part of the Halifax Operation. Halifax also produces "front loader"

washing machines for the United Kingdom and Irish markets, But Philips already gets a large proportion of its washing machines as well as much refrigeration equipment in Italy where high production volumes have kept selling prices compara-But with Philips now having more than

15 production centres in Britain-including Pye factories around Cambridge, it seems unlikely that the British operation will go unscathed.

The jobs reduction envisaged will effectively reduce the Philips workforce throughour Europe by about 9 per cent

Derek Harris

100,000 UK textile jobs go in a year

By Peter Hill

From Our Own Correspondent currency units (about £2,700m)
Bonn, April 13 for lending at subsidized interest rates to small businesses and for energy saving projects.
It now seems as if the amount More than 100,000 jobs disof interest subsidy may be as high as 2.5 per cent—a level which the Federal bank believes year and 77 mills in the comon which the Federal dank believes could prove to be a stimulus to inflation as well as provoke United States criticism

Accordingly, when Herr Pöhl. attended last week's cabinet meeting in Bonn he did not mine his controlled to the however. permanenny.

ing plans. Although these plans can go shead without specific Federal bank authorization, Herr Schmidt chose to show his market actually increased.

Figures published yesterday by the Textile Statistics Bureau showed that at the end of last year, employment in the textile industry had declined by 68,000 compared with a year earlier while in the clothing sector, employment was 35,000 down on levels of a year earlier.

industrial Editor

The larest survey of the industry published yesterday underlined the depth of the recession which the textile sector has experienced, and even the welcome decline in the volume of imports provided only qualified relief since imports share of the home market actually increased

With man-made fibre production and carpet manufacture, the worst-bit sector last year was the cotton and ellied tex-tile sector. Nearly half of the workers still employed in the sector at the year-end were on

appeared in the British textile and clothing industries last and alkied textiles sector closed

ability of the economy to pay The story of concrete From Mr Peter Campbell

Sir, I was interested to read the letter sent to you by Mr Woolrich (April 6). Your corresponden: supports the need for more programmes dealing with the work of engineers, presumably on television; and points to the lack of attention to technical history in our colleges and universities.

Sir, Professor Minford's article

some interesting points. If in

flationary finance is an alternative to raising revenue are the

costs higher than if that

revenue is raised by faxation or

borrowing? Or is he merely

saying that people prefer to spend their own money them-selves, in which case it is hard

to see how any role for the

public sector could be justi-

More generally, inflation need not be the fault of the

Government at all but the con-

sequence of a broader dispute

over the distribution of the

national income. Taking a

simple case, suppose bouseholds

want 80 per cent of output and

firms want 30 per cent. The

chances are that neither will

attain its target share, but as

they try to move towards them wages and prices will rise.

Monetary expansion may be

system but it does not cause

Over the past 15 years social pressures have increased the

size of the public sector and we

have had to pay more for our imports, reducing the propor-tion of output which can go to

meeting profits and after-tax wages. This has generated periodic bouts of inflation which have probably further depressed profits and, by reducing investment, cut back on the

necessary

the inflation.

to lubricate the

As secretary of the Institution of Structural Engineers History Study Group, I wrote to all the engineering faculties in the United Kingdom some time ago to ascertain the extent to which they were interested or involved in the subject of engineering history. All but two dismissed the matter of history on the specious grounds that they had nore than sufficient problems with the syllabus they deter-mine!

As an active member of the Concrete Society, I have for a long time urged that films on television that illustrate the best that has been schieved in struc-tural srchitecture, and explain

why, in many instances, concrete receives bad publicity, would do much to in:prove public relations between designers and the population they

Recovery through productivit

rapidly. Yours faithfully,

VANI BOROOAH

MARTIN WEALE,

Sidgwick Avenue. Cambridge CB3 9DE.

and Mr. T. W. Taylor

distionest game".

Economics,

April 9.

RICK VAN DER PLOEG

Department of Applied

University of Cambridge

From Mr Nigel F. B. Allington

what we subscribed to was that

theory or supporting evidence for the Government's belief

that by deflating demand they

will bring inflation permanently under control and thereby

induce an automatic recovery

We signed that starement

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there is no basis in economic

April 7) on inflation raises starts to grow much more

seek to serve. In this connexion, your readers may be interested to learn that some colleagues and I are in the process of setting up the first ever museum of the history of concrete, at the Southern Industrial History Museum complex at Amberley near Arundel in Sussex.

It is planned to open the first exhibition in the early summer, and it is hoped that students, historians and members of the lay public will find this fascinating story, which goes back in time to c5500 BC, a worthy addition to this important new museum. Yours faithfully, PETER CAMPBELL

Campbell Reith & Partners, Chartered Civil, Strictural and Grove House, Hampton, Middlescx TW12 29U.

higher wages. A sustained recovery can only be expected if the productivity of labour so, allowing the eff borne, in the main private sector. nothing in economic support that no would subscribe to the tainly no modetarist. dom demonstrating.

there is no conclusive evidence for the Up relationship between of growth of the aggregate and the p. It must be sold also 1. sector borrowing, whischieved by the cinew money, does no inflationary, but rather, Sir, Professor Minford (April tional, effects. Furthe, -7) has got us wrong in includ-ing us in his "dangerous and war Government h itself capable of the money supply Thatcher's Governme We are neither Keynesian

nor monetarist and it is posexception. sible for a practising economist to be neither and still believe Of course, there policies, but surely a matter for discussi in something. If Professor Minford would look at the statement as carefully before concerned.

Finally, if Professor interpreting it as we did before signing it, he would find that wishes, on another occmake public copy apparent political monbaps he will do us the me of discussing the ma us beforehand. Yours faithfully, University of Wales because we believed it to be true and we still believe it to be true. Firstly, it is our judg-ment that the Government

NIGEL F. B. ALLINGT. T. W. TAYLOR, Department of Economic Institute of Science and Technology, King Edward VII Aven Cardiff, CF1 3NU.

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Pioneering d⁻¹ From Mr P. B. E. Thomas Sir, The men of the

appearance countryside to neglected, as (April 6) implies. 4.5 The Institution engaged in publishing at which will lighten them surrounding the liver pioneering Victorian engineers such as J. Trobe Bateman and Hawksley. Today, these r unknown outside the! industry, yet many of dams, some nearly 11: high (for instance, the to ley dam in the W District) are still in us 100 years after they wer This achievement, give sketchy knowledge, theories and primitive to the time, does indeed a greater fame. Yours faithfully,

P. B. E. THOMPSON, Director (publications). The Institution of Civil Engineers, 26-34 Old Street

BNP reports record procress

Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman, The Lord Hunt of Tanworth GCB

Against a troubled economic background it is very satisfactory to report that BNP Limited had another record year.

Total assets grew from £948m to £1,269m and the level of all other activities increased. Shareholders' funds increased from £39m to £59m. Including the dividend from our associated bank, United Bank for Africa, profits before tax increased from £5.7m to £7.4m and after tax from £5.1m to £6.7m.

Our sterling operations had an excellent year and the volume of business increased on average by 30%. Eurocurrency operations increased by some 15%. In the commodity markets we have continued to identify sound business opportunities. Leasing activities flourished during the year and doubled in volume. An interesting new development has been the formation of a new Eurobond and notes unit, with staff drawn both from BNP Ltd and from BNP's International Division in Paris.

Together with our retained profits a subordinated loan arranged in conjunction with our parent bank in France will enable us to increase further our commercial lending activities in London.

Our customers include some of the biggest and most important firms in the country. Our representative offices in Birmingham, Edinburgh and Leeds have continued to attract good business and we have maintained close liaison with



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the BNP branch in Jersey. A major event of 1930 was the opening in Manchester of our first full-scale branch cutside London. This step reflects not only our confidence in potential business in the North-West but also in our ability to increase our share of it. In London our Knightsbridge branch continues to show most satisfactory growth.

in my first year as Chairman it is my privilege to pay tribute to my predecessor. Sir Patrick Reilly was Chairman of BNP Limited for 11 years, a period of great expansion in the Bank and we owe a great deal to him for his wisdom and untiring zeal on the Bank's behalf.

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Users of the service will be able to type letters, internal memoranda and other messages on their terminals as if the terminals were ordinary type-writers, and then send the correspondence directly to the recipient over the telephone Announcing this yesterday, Mr Peter Benton, managing director of British Telecom, said that his organization's primary role in the new service would be to provide the net-"We are looking to British "We are looking to British industry to supply the terminals", he said. "With Teletex we are creating a new office equipment market with vast potential and we are inviting suppliers to take advantage of this exciting opportunity". The word "Teletex" is used to describe the interconnexion

Mr Peter

customers to communicate directly with the 90,000 telex terminals in Britain and also with the one million telex users desk message communication to many countries".

A standard design of compu-

The project has been coordinated by the Chartered
lastitute of Public Finance and Accountancy, and the specificonsultation Logica, the London-based com-

gineering, parks and sewers. Separate parts of the system

Wales and Scotland.
Local authorities will use it-

to help them to comply with the Local Government Planning and Land Act 1980, which broadly imposes a requirement that authorities should operate their direct-labour departments as trading organizations, quoting for jobs and charging on the

Benton : "office market with vast

are discussing arrangements for an international Teletext service with a number of countries including West Germany, Sweden and Belgium. In due course we shall be able to offer an international Teletext service giving users direct desk-to-

Standard system

have recently been agreed by the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Com-mittee (CCITT). These include a technical recommendation for ter system—expressed as a functional specification—has been completed for the management and accounting aspects of the direct-works departments of terminals. Its aim is to ensure that users will have freedom in the way they type their Teletex correspondence as they have in using an electric typewriter, In its simplest form, the terlocal authorities in a collabora-tive project which has involved 155 such authorities in England,

> cation was prepared with local bv puter consultancy.
> The main types of work covered in the specification are highways, housing, building, en-

A high-speed desk-to-desk handle work entry; costing accounting; and work programming and control

Local authorities have contributed up to £1,800 each to-wards the cost of the design, with the Department of the En-vironment adding £30,000. The next stage for the authorities will be the implementation of the design; this can be done

give his approval to the borrow-

displeasure the following day in

an unusual way. He disclosed that M Ray-

mond Barre, the French Prime Minister, had written to Bonn

to protest about Germany's high

interest rate levels. Instead of

maintaining a discreet silence

about the letter, the Chancellor announced that he had passed

it to the Federal bank to answer—making clear that he was distancing himself from the Central bank's high interest

rate policy.

This public move tends to

reinforce reports that the Chancellor took both Herr Pohl and his deputy Dr Helmut Schlesinger to task at a stormy

confidential meeting between

coalition party leaders and the

beginning of this month. Tem-

pers apparently flaired and the

meeting broke up in ill-humour

in the early hours of the morn-

Research centre

The recently-launched Inter-national Electronic Publishing Research Centre will initially be a special-interest group of PIRA, the printing-industries research association based at Leatherhead. Surrey. Chief executive will be Mr Brian Blunden, director of PIRA's printing and electronic publishing division.

Six objectives have been set for the new centre. These are:

1. to carry out technical, techno-economic, behavioural and market research with the aim of assisting publishers, product development and sup-

pliers:
2. to carry out research into electronic publishing on a cooperative, multi-client or exclusive basis for subscribing members;
3. to provide "hands-on and test-bed facilities" for the use

of new systems;
4. to evaluate systems, software and equipment; 5. to act as an international focal point for the results of relevant studies;
6. to provide research reports, seminars, conferences exhibitions.

Among those involved in the formation of the new centre are Mr Gordon Graham, chairman and chief executive of Butterworths, who is chairman of the board of management of the centre; Mr Robert Maxwell of Pergamon Press; and Dr Georges Anderla, of the European Commission. The targer is to gian 100 subscribing members to gian 100 subscribing member companies during the first twelve months.

NRDC buys shares

The National Research Development Corporation's small company innovation fund is acquiring 30 per cent of the ordinary share capital of Shape-cut Machines, of Woodley, Reading, Berkshire. Shapecut has developed a range of profile cutting machines and electronic optical-scanning (line-following) optical-scanning (line-following)

Kenneth Owen

; not going to move off its five-year plateau this year. But yesterday's a £5.3m profits recovery to £35.6m nterim stage adds to the excitement ding a share which is looking for prospects on the drugs front in

secable future.

Trice closed 16p up at 338p, a new jan improvement of almost 50 per ix months. That rise is very largely hopes for Ranifidine, a new ulcer if which could make significant nto a £200m-plus world market now monopolized by Smith & Kline's

the figures, which would have been gher on stable exchange rates, the aw signs of a possible reversal in award drift of return from Glaxo's mainstream products. Trading have edged upwards at last to 10] helped by improved prices and productivity while Glazo claims ume improvement in a 12 per cent gain to £331m.

w injected Zinacef seems in have he competitive squeeze an the the cephalosporin field, while states clearance for Ventolin, an anti-asthmatic drug, should help fits trending higher and so ease use as investors wait for Ranitidine is mark.

this year could reach £75m to ainst a 1977 peak of £87m, and ully-taxed p/e ratio of around 15 ield of under 4; per cent assuming east dividend increase in line with m is clearly ambitious.

Partland

rtland Cement seems to be taking sore sanguine view of the present a both competitors and outside of the industry.

, however, it followed the broad ittern. A bumper first half made sually clement winter weather and cent price rise gave way to a second half when industry

tumbled by 18 per cent. domestic profits, fell by nearly .9m before interest in the second over the year it reckons to bave tained market share and the pren-up from £15.1m to £16.9me with expectations. ne dividend unchanged on the



-Carpenter, chairman of Rugby

hare capital the shares yield 7.9 it 85 p and the fully-taxed p/s

relative optimism about 1981 is . its are talking about a drop of tenth in cement deliveries after r cent fail.

reason for optimism is that the operations, manly Australia's form better this year after 1980's in profits to £2.9m pre-interest. also been spending heavily in .rs on modernizing and reducing ts in its cement activities.

a given the present state of the n industry, a more moderate ce rise of 112 per cent and the that cement deliveries will be ply again this year it is hard to ugby will match last year's prohough the balance sheet is sound ares offer a reasonable yield and current cost dividend cover, they are not likely to go far at this stage of the construction cycle.

Burton Group Back on an even keel

A bouquet, not a brickbar for Hedderwick Grumbar, or rather its former retailing team; it seems to have come closest in guessing the interim pre-tax profits of The

Burson Group,

Hedderwick went for £9m for the six months to February; Burton in fact made £8.77m against most broking estimates of £8m to £6m. This is, moreover, a "clean" profit, uncluttered by exceptionals. In the same months of 1980 the comparative figure was £9.3m. For the year to August, 1980, the figure has been restated at £12.6m, down from an original £13.1m. down from an original £13.1m.

Burton did as well as it did despite a sales gain of only 5 per cent to £124m because it has got to grips with lossmakers and laggards. The group has nearly completed the concentration of manufacturing capacity into only two factories employing 750 people against 14 with 13,500 in 1970; it has disposed of most of the shareholding in the French division, stemming losses but making no profit. Evans Mail Order has closed and Post Haste and J. Greenrobes have been sold. Rymans is making a little money. It may be kept, but if it fails to continue improving it too will go. It has

sales of £20m a year.

Finally, borrowings are down to £16m from £44m at the beginning of the financial year and should fall further. It all seems to point to profits of around £14m for the

full year, and the shares responded with a 2p rise to 137p, a new 1981 "high" where the yield is 5.7 per cent.

At first glance the good news is out; the shares have had their rise and other recovery stocks like Woolworth and Debenhams offer more tempting returns. Retail business is still flat and prospects are said to be "uncertain". But Burton is winning market share, and it still has only around per cent of the menswear market and a mere 2 per cent of womenswear.

Margins are thought to offer much scope for improvement. The group has also avoided continuous "sales" and now keeps stocks under tight control. The excitement of "recovery" may now be over but the retailing skills of the Burton board are not in doubt, and the shares seem worth keeping for eventual retail upturn.

St Piran

Mr Raper's blatant challange

In bidding for Sr Piran at well below the price laid down by the Takeover Panel, and even below the suspension price, Mr James Raper has again confronted the panel with a blatant challenge.

Previous failures to comply with the panel's rulings have mainly been because of inability to pay the required price. But Mr kong vehicle, have now confronted the authorities with the difficulty all rulemakers dread: what to do with someone who ignores you.

The panel has already used many of the weapons at its disposal, including asking The Stock Exchange to consider suspending the St Piran listing. This the Stock Exchange did, with the result that locked-in shareholders are being offered less than sopes of recovery in the second they might have got for their shares on the open market. The fact that the Stock Exchange must abide by its own rules to preserve an orderly market may even work in Gasco's favour: it can buy control of St

Piran cheaply. But difficult though the position now is, the authorities are not without recourse. The battle could now shift from the self-regulation front to the legal one. The panel and the Department of Trade will obviously look at the provisions of the Companies Acts, among which are disen-franchisement of shares, resort to the courts to try and prove conduct prejudicial to the interests of shareholders, forced sale of shares, and regulations by the court of a company's affairs: St Piran shareholders can take action themselves, Michael Prest

Poland's debts—a headache for the West

Representatives of more than 400 Western banks are due to meet their Polish debtors in London again on Thursday in another attempt to reach agreement: on the repayment of Poland's massive debt. But it is now clear that the problem of rescheduling the Comecon member's obligations will not and with this set of negotiations. The banks and governments (which are also big creditors) are looking to 1982 and 1983 when more Polish loans should mature.

It is generally accepted that

It is generally accepted that Poland is in a state of un-declared default. The creditor banks and governments have still not calclated the precise figures, but they broadly con-cur with Poland's own esti-mates made at the end of last year. The Polish Government then said that it owed Western banks \$12,700m, and govern-ments and their credit agencies another \$10,400m.

Although it was known at the end of 1980 that Poland would have difficulty meeting its debts this year, the first formal warning of a failure to pay came about three weeks ago. After paying the \$830m due in the first quarter, Poland began informing banks and govern-ments that it could not pay anyments that it could not pay anything in the second quarter. A key part of the present talks, therefore, is whether to suspend these payments—put at \$1,000m in principal and interest—until the end of June.

But that only begs the question of what happens between June and December, not to mention next year and 1983. Debts to Western banks due for capital repayment this year amounted to about \$3,100m. That has now been reduced by the amount paid in the first three months.

On top of the maturing loans, however, there is as much again in interest payments. In total, therefore, Poland's true debt to the banks this year is more than \$6,000m. At the last count 426 banks

were involved in 12 Western countries. Most of the leading British banks are exposed, with Barclays Bank International (BBI) and Lloyds Bank International (LBI) the birgest lenders. Poland was scheduled to repay some \$220m in capital this year, and roughly the same



A Warsaw stall-holder stands sentinel over her empty trays: a victim of economic uncertainty and confusion.

In fact, Britain Is faily well down the list of lenders to Poland, West Germany, the United States, and France are owed principal of 5678m, \$575m, are still working out exactly owed principal of 5678m, \$375m, and \$378m respectively this year. Other creditors are Austria. Belgium, Italy. Hollard, Switzerland, Japan and Canada. Coordination of all these governments and banks is a big problem. The banks have formed a task force consisting of two banks from each creditor. of two banks from each creditor country, but since not all countries have agreed on its representatives, the task at present numbers only between 16 and 20 banks. Which banks will speak for their national groups in 1982 and 1980 is the subject of recently convened discussions. The British members are LBT and BBI.

Apart from these two British banks, other leading creditor banks include Chase Manhattan, Ciribank, Bank of America, Dreadner Bank, Deutsche Bank,

amount in interest, to British and the main French institu-tions. There is also a host of In fact, Britain is faily well smaller banks which have been are still working out exactly who is involved and how much

they have at risk.

As if such a variety and complexity of banks relations was not enough, the interests of governments also have to be considered. About 50 per cent of commercial loans are guaranteed by governments. Apart from not wanting to pay out millions to the banks in lieu of debts in default, governments themselves are at risk on a huge scale. Both parties, banks and governments, must conduct separate sets of negotiations which arrive at the same conclusion.

If such an agreement, or co-ordinated set of agreements, is to be reached, banks and gov-ernments need to be satisfied that Poland can repay. Whatever arrangements are

made to see the country over its immediate difficulties—hard enough in the present troubled economic and financial circumstances—they will mean little if a similar crisis erupis next year. The framework for discussions is therefore a two or threeyear programme of rescheduled Union, debts and economic stability in In the

Poland,
The Poles put forward a programme for 1981 at the beginning of March, It estimated total capital repayments due this year at 57,500m, of which 53,100m was owed to banks and the year to sowed to banks and the rest to government.

the rest to government.

The current account payments deficit was \$3,400m, giving an external financing requirement of \$10,900m. This was to be met by \$3,400m of net export credits, and by rescheduling commercial and official debts.

Another \$1,000m bridging loan Another \$1,000m bridging loan was intended to smooth the pro-

Since then Poland has asked

interest during the second quar-ter. The likelihood is that the country's creditors will agree, partly because they have little choice, and partly because they would rather defer debts than make fresh loans which would simply meet immediate obliga-tions.

Some banks are also afraid that money lent to Poland would be used to meet debts to the Soviet Union, mainly incurred last year, and to other Comecon members.

But the strategic problem is how far into the future a re-scheduling agreement should reeach. The banks will have to sort that problem out before they meet the Bank Handlows, Poland's foreign trade bank, on Thursday.

The American banks are particularly reluctant to make commitments to belping in the short term if subsequent years' debts remain unsecured. By contrast, the European banks and governments, especially France and West Germany, have been more flexible, and unnounced their willingness to make new credits if conditions are agreed.

Conditions are a sensitive matter. Not only is Poland much the biggest international banking crisis, dwarfing those of Zaire and Turkey, bur it is the first outside the International Monetary Fund, and in the Eastern block. However much goodwill the Poles show, there must be serious doubts about their freedom to negotiate a stabilization programme without annoying the Soviet

In the great confusion and uncertainty at present reigning in Poland, the sight of Western banks dictating conditions for the repayment of loans entered int oby an unpopular govern-ment might not be well. received.

The dreadful irony is that many bankers were willing to lend to Poland because they argued settlement of the debts was backed by the Soviet Union. Somewhar contradictorily, they also claimed that the loans promoted detente.
Thursday's meeting will

seeking a solution which secures the debt without antagonizing the Soviet Union, the for a moratorium on repay. Polish government and party, ments of all principal and or Solidarity.

Why Europe's recession may be worse than expected

The meeting of the Group of Five finance ministers at the western world have been weekend seems to have made predictably little progress to wards agreeing a joint policy on interest rates. Whenever one of the world's big economies is pursuing a tight money policy, as America is doing now, the others want to see coordinates of the Western world have been up to come to terms with the impact of the second big increase in the oil price (the first came in 1973-74). In the call price of the mark in the foreign and the price of oil. High interest rates, exchange rates and the price of oil. High interest rates, and the price of oil. High interest rates and the foreign of the mark in the foreign of the noted action on interest rates. That is to say, they want the tight money country to loosen its policy so that they are not forced to raise their own inter-

Since the country which has raised its interest rates has done so for strong domestic reasons it is not willing to change its mind just to please other countries. That is why talks on interest rate coordination are the longest-running non-event in the world economy —as was proved again on Sunday when representatives from Britain, Japan. France, West Germany and the United States met in Downing Street. Such talks always founder on a straight conflict of interest.

est rates in step.

In a world of fixed exchange rates with low inflation, that problem is not too severe. But in the 1980s it may be driving Europe's economies into a Europe's economies into a deeper recession than necessary, with damaging consequences for future prosperity and particularly worrying impli-cations for Britain.

Since 1979-80, the countries Five finance ministers at the of the Western world have been weekend seems to have made trying to come to terms with did surprisingly well. Although higher oil prices had the usual effect of increasing the rate of inflation, it did not start off a new wage-price spiral in most

Pay settlements (except in the United Kingdom) did not rise by the full amount needed to compensate for the extra cost of petrol. In other words, people accepted that a higher price for Open oil meant lower living standards for the rest of us. It was on this basis that many

economists, including those at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the EEC Commission, formed a guardedly optimist picture of the likely course of events. After a bad second half in 1980 and a depressing start to 1981, they expected inflation to start falling from about the middle of the year and output to start rising. Those projections now look too optimistic.

For the European countries, the most important factor has been the interplay between

David Blake

the mark has gone up by over 20 per cent over the 15 months since the start of 1980. During the first three monts of this year, the dollar has risen by 11 per cent against the German currency.

Devaluation is always bad for

inflation. But it is particularly important when a currency falls against the dollar, because oil prices are denominated in that currency. So in terms of domestic costs, to German users of energy, a fall in the mark against the dollar is equivalent to a straight increase in the price of oil.

In France, this phenomenon is causing so much concern that it is referred to as a new "mini-oil shock". In Germany, the effects are being intensified by the policy changes which the authorities feel they need to apply. The Bundesback raised its interest rates sharply in February to prevent the mark falling further and Herr Karl-Otto Poehl, the bank's president, has made it clear that he is willing to do the same again if inflation rising.

These high interest rates are particularly damaging to the German economy. Low inflation in Germany means that interest rates minus inflation) are now more than 5 per forecast was made it did not cent, very close to the postwar record attained in late 1974. Thus in real terms German interest rates are far higher than in France, where inflacession tion at 13 per cent takes the ment edge off the cost which a com- revenue.

Germany is caught in a trap. In order to keep up the value of the mark in the foreign

monetary terms, the country which has one of the most successful anti-inflation records in the world, is being forced to pursue one of the toughest interest rate policies. Some economists in inter-

that every one percentage point on interest rates knocks about a quarter of a percentage point off a country's output. On that basis alone, the loss of German output caused by the increase in interest rates early this year must be between half and three quarters of a per cent of gross domestic product.

But the damage does not stop there. There is the blow to domestic demand which comes from the loss of real income caused by the increase in domestic oil prices in the European countries, most of which have moved in step within the European Monetary System. Money has been transferred out of European hands as their terms of trade have worsened. That is one weakening factor on demand and output. At the end of last year, the

that is what is required to stop OECD estimated that 1981 would see a toughening of fiscal policy throughout the 24 nations which make it up. Policy changes by the seven biggest governments were expected to cut output by just over 1 per cent. When that seem a particularly tough policy. After all, the crude size of government deficits looks likely to increase because recession pushed up unemploy-ment pay and depresses

that the tightening of fiscal

than seemed likely at the end

of 1980. Germany, which had planned to have the loosest attitude to fiscal policy this year is coming under increasing internal pressure for change. There is now open warfare between the

Government in Bonn and the Bundesbank in Frankfurt. Over the past week, Herr Karl-Otto Poehl has backed United States reluctance to cut interest rates against the wishes of his Government. And the bank has issued severe warn-ings of the dangers if the German Government deficit is not brought under greater

control. All of these pressures for a tightening of fiscal policy are having their effect. Business confidence throughout Europe, but most notably in Germany, has been declining this year The recession in Europe is unlikely to bottom out before the autumn. And as the inflationary consequences of the drop in the value of European currencies feeds through, pressures to tighten still further could mount.

Recession has crept more slowly over Europe in the past two years than it did in 1974.5. But it is beginning to look as if the loss of ourput and employment will be as severe as the last time around.

With the worries of a new surge in inflation of the kind which followed the last recovery strong in people's minds, the prospects for a sustained upswing look slim indeed.

Business Diary: Vestey's master mariner • Small beer

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P-hole which the ed was closed in the o controversy-four he cut off a grant ompany to a Persian i Sussex University rgraduates from the d disrupted a hunt in Beagles. The stuterned was not inter was Edmund's son

tlan may be a little . Onda or Honda? It was all ter the tax loop-hole very confusing for Tony Ball. ich they managed to chairman of BL Europe and ig vast amounts of Overseas, who had just flown for more than 60 in from Tokyo with thoughts of discovered, but they collaboration with the Japanese company fresh in his mind, only to be greeted on arrival at his itey, head of an inter- hotel outside the medieval Italian Tuscan town of Siena by representatives of the Onda.

A drummer, and two stanake up the most im- dard bearers in ancient costume it in British shipping whirled and threw flags, then a scarf in blue and white partern was placed round Ball's neck and he was given a scroll proclaiming him an honorary member of the Onda.

In fact the Onda (The Wave) already vice-presi- is one of the 17 contrade of quarters of Siena who for centuries have competed each year in the Palio, the bare-back horse race round the main square. Their crest is the sea with a fish swimming in it (" Dolphin natural, crowned royal, naiant in sea azure on

ground argent"). The occasion was the presentation to Italy's motoring press
of the Metro, due to go on sale
in the country from lune 6. in the country from June 6. Similar events are taking place

elsewhere in Europe this week. Sergio Mia, Leyland Italia's managing director, hopes to sell 18,000 Metros before the end of the year, which should see-overall sales of BL models double to 38,000.

The target is 40,000 Metros in the disruption; the 1981, which should be 6.1 per ter was Edmund's son cent of the Italian market for cars in the 1,000 cc range.



Is this the way forward for the brewing industry? Recession Special is a low strength, low cost mild newly produced by the Canterbury Brewery run by the brothers Taylor, Anthony

and Simon.

The last Budget rises put hetween 4p and 10p on the pint at a time when consumption was falling assumes. So the pint at a time consump-tion was falling anyway. So the Taylors decided to brew a cheap low strength special to take advantage of the lowest

excise rates.
At around 40p a pint in some At around 40p a pint in some
30 free houses and the two
pulss owned by the brewery in
Kent, Recession Special (its
lebel is shown above) certainly
undercuts their two other brews
costing up to 30m a pint more helped by the advice of a family friend, the Cohhs, who used to run a small brewery in Margate.

And they have even menaged in penetrate the export market. CB brews are sold in the Cork-CB orews are som in the Corrective Wine Bar et the European Commission headquarters in Brussels. Recession is on its way there too. Now when Eurocrats need to cut corners when pooring you know things are

● Geoffrey Lee, who edits one ● The Industrial Development of the many financial news- Advisory Board has gained a letters which abound these member with technical backdays, has been nagging me ever since I first mentioned his somewhar unusual method of recommending mining stocks

a year ago.

Finance-Monitor, the letter
Lee runs from a small office in
Temple Chambers, carries each month a selection of share recomme dations decided by the use of I Ching, the ancient Chinese fortune-telling method which involves throwing around yarrow sticks and checking the results off on charts.

"You may be interested to see how accurate the *I Ching* has been—substantial profits on first 12 tips", Lee writes in the latest issue, in much the same vein as he has in the past. And indeed there are profits, but before you throw away the calculator and rush out for a raiculator and rush out for a pack of Taror cards, read on. The top 12 shares which Lculisis include such well known names as West Driefontein, De Beers, and RTZ, bardly the stuff of which gambles are

What is more, the companies in this unexceptional list all gained their creditable profits by selling before the slump in gold share prices of the last couple of months, a feat accomplished by many other investors who reached their decisions on what to buy and when to sell through more conventional

commodities Michael Prest, tells me that he views the I Ching portfolio as no better or worse than any of the many others around at the moment, and certainly no improvement on the advice you would receive from a stock-

Advisory Board has gained a member with technical background to join the merchant bankers, accountants and smattering of trade unionists who make up its ranks.

Polish-born Adolf Frankel,
chairman of Stevely Industries

has joined the IDAB for a two-The board scrutinizes and recommends the level of state funding for key investment projects which are agreed under the terms of the Industry Act.

Among the projects which the board will consider—assuming that it gets that far—will be Nissan Datsun's plans to construct a car muanfacturing plant in Britain.

Especial became chairman of Frankel became chairman of Stavely 15 months ago after being managing director · for 10 years.

Frankel's earlier career was heavily oriented towards ad-vanced mechanical engineering design and development.

Other members of the IDAB include Gavin Laird of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering ecring workers, and Christopher Hogg, chairman of Courtaulds.

Have they got the right man in A series of adver Barhados? tisements bearing the words Ronald Biggs seen in Rio has just been published in Australia. The advertisements feature a gentleman who looks the spitting image of Biggs wearing a pair of same under pants called, ves, Rio. Given the fate of the real version, they might also have suggested he was in need of a good pair of bricis.

David Hewson

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|---|--------------|--------------|---------|
| Total Revenue (see below) | £1,844,063 | £1,662,689 | + 10.9% |
| Revenue after taxation and expenses | £1,044,155 | 940,628 | +11.0° |
| Earnings per Ordinary Share | <u>7.35p</u> | 6.59p | ÷11.5% |
| Ordinary dividends for the year net per share | 7.10p | <u>6.35p</u> | +11.8% |
| Net asset value per 20o Ordinary Share | 255.4p | 194.0n | +36.8% |

The comparative figures for 1979 have been restated to exclude non-recurring income received that year as a result of the removal of dividend restraint.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Stock markets

Equities' strength not tested as buyers hold off buys more

The Hedderwick hammering late last Friday and the weekend's riots at Brixton depressed the market yesterday.

Leading equities continued to move downwards after the falls iate on Friday when the news that Hedderwick was to cease trading was announced. dealers were impressed by the underlying resilience of shares and reported little selling. Neither, however, were there many buyers with potential investors laying quiet until the extent of liabilities is fully

Easter week traditionally sees subdued trading with another two weeks of the account still to so and tends to pull prices down. Nevertheless, dealers were of one accord that the market would have continued its race to break the last alltime high. With the FT Index on Friday at 551.5. Sentiment was that without Hedderwick it would have broken it yester-

But with the weekend's events the index opened down 4 points at 547.3 and fell m 545.4 at 2 pm. By the close it had picked up slightly to end 4.7 down at 546.6.

News that the US money supply figures had risen sharply with several banks putting up prime rates saw gilts very much lower. Dealers in longs reported little business for complex easier by figures. after opening easier by £\(\frac{1}{2}\) and finished the day up to a £\(\frac{1}{2}\) down. Shorts reported thin, volatile conditions. After a drop of £\(\frac{1}{2}\) they closed up to £\(\frac{1}{2}\) lower and at the long end were

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Burton Group (1) 124.03(118.03
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Rugby Portland (F) 1.22(0.9)
Triplevest (F) — (—) Results from Glaze, with profits at the top end of analysts forecasts and an in-Dividends in this table are shown not of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pretax and earnings are net. *= net revenue. creased dividend, lifted shares 16p to 338p. Before the figures

By Our Financial Staff

meeting on May 7.

outside advisers.

Tricentrol's shareholders are

to be asked their opinions of

the group's proposal to de-merge its industrial divisions

from the oil and gas interests

at an extraordinary general

Mr James Longcroft, chair-man, says in a letter to share-

annual report that although the board is convinced that the pro-

posal is in the shareholders' best interests, the cost of im-

plementation will be considerable in terms of time and effort

by the company's executive and

"While a considerable amount of work has already

gone into the evaluation of this

proposal, and indicates that it

accompanying

Shareholders to vote

is feasible, it is likely to prove market some of the new pro-relatively expensive and the ducts now being developed.

on Tricentrol plan

ments and, overall, a tired air. ICI was unchanged at 266p, but

Unilever dropped 7p to 503p.

Fisans fell by 3p to 150p,
Dunlop 2p to 67p, British Acrespace 3p to 208p and Tabes 6p
to 212p. With figures due to day. Hawked Siddeley was 2p down at 332p. GKN was 3p down at 161p and Lucas Industries. in the wake of cuts in the workforce, was 7p easier at 203p. Bowater provided a bright

spark on the back of bid speculation from the United States and the shares rose 6p to 279p. Apart from the eucouraging high profits from Glaxo there was little startling from the companies reporting. Better than expected results from Erith and an increased dividend saw shares boosted 9p to 80p, but figures from Rugby Portland were in line with forecasts and the shares stayed at 86p but

Waiting for results today, Northern Engineering Indus-

cropped ip at the close. Interim

results from Burton saw 2p ad-

vance to 137p.

from Berisford, and shares eased 8p to 300p while Beris-ford lost 2p to 118p. Revived

Company Sales
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board would not wish to pro-

ceed unless it was satisfied that

The de-merger is likely to be accomplished either by a scheme of arrangement under the Companies Act 1948 or a declaration

of a dividend in specie of the shares in a holding company

which in turn owns all the shares of the companies in the

industrial group.

Mr Longcroft adds in his report that if the plans for de-

merger are brought to fruition, 1981 should be an interesting year for Triceurol. With its

activities restricted to those of

an oil and gas explorer and producer it will have greater opportunities than before and

that the de-merged company will be able to build its com-mercial interests and bring to

shareholders agree."

124.03(118.02)

they had eased 4p to 318p. bid rumours saw a 12p advance Otherwise in the blue chips to 172p at Travis and Arnold, shares showed mixed move and elsewhere in building R. M Douglas was 9p up at 109p. M. Douglas was 90 up at 1099.

Meanwhile, reports that summer package holiday bookings are sharply lower saw Horizon.

Travel drop 13p to 250p after recent large gains and Saga Holidays lease 5p to 230p.

Favourable comment helped Laba Leashs up 3p to 411p.

John Jacobs up 3p to 411p, while Cattle Holdings was 2p higher at 33 p and Fidelity Radio, with encouraging signs from new relevision sets, rose

British Car. Auctions has seen some buying lately on the back of a rumour that it was about to do a deal with a distributor which would lead to new cars being put up for auction. But yesterday Mr David Wickins, the chairman, denied it. The shares were unchanged at 82p.

were Footwear Industrial, up 10p at 65p, and Arcolectric, up 6p at 18p, after recent results. Legal problems upset Argyll Foods, 5p lower at 121p. The engineering and electri-

5p to 41p. Other firm spots

The engineering and electrical sectors, which have led front British Sugar is imparement upward moves with tient over the lack of a decision to the did not escape the downward trend. Weekend comment belped some stocks in engineer-

Latest results

Merger cleared: Secretary of State for Trade has decided not to refer the proposed acquisition by Charter Consolidated of Alexander Shand (Holdings) to Monopolles and Mergers Commission.

David Dixon: Offer by David Dixon & Son Holdings for David Dixon & Son (Leeds) preference shares is unconditional.

Jessel Trust: Rights Issue has been fully subscribed by members. Basis of excess applications will be aunounced next week. Underwriters have therefore been rolleved of their commitment.

lieved of their commitment.
Arbuthnot Government Securities
Trust: Third interim 4.55p gross.
Fourth interim of 4.55p forecast
to make 18.22p for year to July 31.
Net revenue after expenses half
year to Jan 31 £1.431m £276.500).
Board believes interest rates will
continue to fall and this should
have a beneficial effect on capital
performance of company's shores.

performance of company's shores. Stone-Platt Industries has formed

Platt Saco Lowell International to coordinate and develop market for group in the UK, the US, Spaln and other associated companies in the UK and Korea.

British Empire Securities and General Trust: Interim dividend held at 0.28p gross. Pretax revenue

half year to March 31 £147,000 (£146,000). Nav per share 18.7p (16.4p).

0.36(0.44)

16.9(15.1)

per share 1.22(1.53)

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Associated Tooling, 3p to 58p and Futura 3p to 62p. But otherwise jobbers reported quiet conditions with prices

drifting lower. Smiths Industries, ahead of results today, was unchanged at 350p, B. Elliot was down 2p at 188p, Vickers was easier by 4p at 175p and John Brown lower by 3p at 88p. Laird Group was 3p down at 136p.

Dealers in electricals reported a quiet day but drew inspira-tion from the industrial production figures released for February showing a 0.8 per cent rise over January.

mark-downs in prices with GEC closing only 7n laws closing only 7p lawer at 681p. Racal eased 3p to 375p, Plessey dropped 3p to 328p and Thorn EMI was lower by 6p at 370p. BICC, after recent good results, was down 5p at 255p, AB Elec-tropics saw a 2p loss at 106p and Electrocomponents was down

Banks followed the market drift with clearers showing losses of up to 10p. Attempts to lessen windfall tax on profits and the threat of union strikes also had their effect. Barclays was lower by 4p at 416p, Mid-land dropped 7p to 316p and Lloyds 10p to 343p. National Westminster eased 5p to 365p. Fears that the contested bid

15/5

Briefly

Year's

cotal 0.75(0.76)

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6/7 4.7(4.7) 30/4 7.09(6.27)

Other leaders saw losses with Shell 2p lower at 362p. Ultramar dropped 8p to 470p, BP was unchanged at 378p, as was Tricentrol at 264p. Tasmo, however, advanced 2p to 564p. After hours trading was seen mainly in electricals and oils with leading oils moving ahead. Equity turnover for April 10 was £129.21m (bargains 2,933).

range from £44m to £68m.

Chartered dropped 5p to 639p.

With the gold price just off the bottom, shares in the min-

ing and finance sector recorded

Traditional options: Dealers reported active conditions. Calls were made in Premier at a rate of 84p, in French Kier at 7p, in BSG at 2p and Rothmans at 81p. Puts were arranged in J. Sainsbury, MFI. Tube Investments, Lucas, Intervision, GKN and Alpine Holdings. Doubles were completed in FNFC and GKN.

Traded options: A total of 768 contracts were secorded.
Courts took 3540, BP32, GEC
43, ICI 36, Racal six and
Lourho 41.

Lambert Howarth Group, Mr

M. Jackson, chairman soys it is not expected that volume of sales in 1981 will be as high as 1980, and board's efforts will be directed to containment of costs and the improvement of; efficiency and productivity.

William Tatham of Roghdale, Lan

Scottish European Investment.

Scotish European I Investment.
Directors are confidering measures, involving a hajor change of polity, which whild substantially eliminate the discount of share price to nel asset value (approximately 51plet March 31, 1981). In consulction with the company's advisers Lazard Brothers board intends to send full details of their proposals to share-holders in near future.

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Ladbroke . in £4m dea will be referred to the Monopolies Commission saw shares 6p to 160p. Hongkong/

Shanghai, however, was un-changed at 136p and Standard By Peter V'ainwright Ladbroke Group, Brit. leading bookmakers around 1,100 betting shops just added a further 30 bes Insurances drifted easier with Commercial Union down 12p at 356p, Prudential slipped 4p to 232p, Sun Aliance 14p to 836p, Eagle Star 8p to 245p and Phoenix 6p to 274p. offices in central and s east London, and a credit ting business.

Ladbroke describes all shops as particularly well in areas where it has his been lightly represented. apparently has around shops. It is thought the new group, John Manley Accountants which is Ladbroke as from April



Mr Cyril Stein, chair Ladbroke Group.

capable of q big incr profitability. But ever present condition it diluting equity earning Manley, but only £1m in cash. The payment red for two years. The the purchase price v through the allotment shares, which were pi brokers L. Messel with tions. The placing was done last Thursday, announcement was pruntil the formalities of were completed. The indicates a price for ins

of 300p apiece.

The existing shares e to 305p vesterday, who yield is 6.4 per cent. The had already come up the from 236p to 308p at on At one stage in 1980 th

Hawley aims i further growth

Mr Michael Ashcroft,

chairman of the comi group, with about 17 per of the shares.

William Tatham of Rochdale, Lan-cashire, have won a implor con-tract from the Peoples Republic of China for woollen carding machines against intense interna-tional competition from Belgium, Italy and Japan. Contract, which is valued at three charters of a million pounds, was completed and signed.

man of Hawley Leisure, shareholders in the a report that the group will tinue to persue growth organically and by acquis which could be overseas. ticularly in the United Sta Details of the merge Hawley with Provincial where Mr Ashcroft is Gordon R. Simpson, warns that with continuing and increasing pressure on margin worldwide, it is "difficult to be hopeful" that the group can mantain its underwriting performance during 1981. chairman, will be out on nesday. If the deal goes the it will leave him, as exec

Williams & Glyn's Bank says fixed interest rates on new loans granted under its Business Borrowing Plain will be reduced by 11 percent. The new range of rates will be 14 per cent to 16 per cent. Under the terms of the plan amounts of betwen '£10,000 and £250,000 may be borrowed at fixed or variable rates of interest over a maximum of ten years. BL: Shareholders have approved an increase in amhorised share capital from £1,250m to £2,400m and given authority for issue to Secretary of State for Industry additional shares having a maximum aggregate nominal value of £1,340m, He now holds 99.59 percent of BL equity: Triplevest: Dividend 3.156p per income share making 7.097p (6.271p plus special distribution for year to end Feb, Revenue, £1.7m, £1.5m) after all charges including tax. Net asset value percepital share was 479 1-4p (401p). Beradin Rubber Estates: Dividend 1.07p gross (1.08p) for year to Sept 30 last, Turnover £319,000 (£841,000). Fersa profile £359,000 (£441,000). EPS 1.22p. Legal Appointments

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FINANCIAEWS

High terest costs and fallinglemand hit Erith

A downturn in activity the second half has left sof builders, merchant slightly down on last h record performance.

Full-year figures of th London-based group shotax profus for the ye December 31 slipping £1.65m to £1.4m on turnot by 12 per cent to £32.1m, ings per share have risen 9.29p to 10.58p.

In spite of the shortfa profus the board has prof a final payment of 3.9p g making a rotal of 5.7p, ag 5.35p last time. The increa-

In his statement accompanying the figure. Mr Gordon
Fisher, the chairman, blamed
high interest rates and a decline
in demand in the second half
for the shortfall in what is
traditionally the group's
stronger half.

While declining to put a figure on the group's current borrowings Mr Fisher said that it was continuing to strive to reduce its overdraft, which last year saw interest charges more than double at £378,000.

5.35p last time. The increation The group's second half per-the dividend more than n formance, which showed only a

up for the shortfall in profits with the share price responding profits to the previous year when to the previous year when profits in the second six months jumped by more than 60 per cent on the interim period.

Margins came under further pressure despite the increase in the chairman.

turnover and the chairman admitted that volume had also showed signs of strain. Included in the figures is an exceptional item of film pre-

viously held for deferred tax but now no longer required, Looking to the current year, the chairman confirmed that business was still not as buoyant as he would like, but added that things were beginning to look

BSR hope to return to profit ilsecond half climbs 21pc

By Our Financial Staff

BSR, the record changing the consumer products division, consumer products group whill factories are working normalist year, says it could making items such as electric profits in the second half tettles, saucepans, teamakers, the current year.

In the year to January 10, the second half tettles, saucepans, teamakers, in the year to January 10, the second half processories have been raised group saw profits of 534 inpreciably. It passed the dividend, On though the opening half will corrent cost basis the loss was now a loss, it is expected that the Mr. John Ferrusan where second balf will record a

But Mr John Ferguson, the second balf will record a chairman, tells shareholders in does not appreciate over its sales for the first two months The BSR figures show that of this year were lower than

sales for the first two months. The BSR figures show that of this year were lower than and reproduction accounts for the same time in 1980 there is almost two-thirds of total are grounds for believing that hes; 60 per cent go overseas, the level of activity in practically all companies in the group stomer.

will continue to improve.

He says that in the sound reproduction division, all factories are now working a five.

The says that in the sound me down from 15,418 to 98. The group is now just the says that in the says that in the says that in the says that in the says that the says that in the says that the says th tories are now working a five-er 50 per cent geared with day week. Except for the small of debt of around £31m.

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mens when income starts to accue about 90 days after the

New oil compay seeks up to \$20m in lurope

By Peter Wilson-Smith Pearsall Petroleum, a new company which will take a share in United States oil development and exploration, is planding to raise up to US\$20m (£9.1m) through a private placing of shares with London and European institutions.
Up to 2m shares are being offered at \$10 each and providing at least \$7.5m is raised, an about 80 per cent of the wes drilled there should prove ecoomically successful. He said.

Pearsall will get a stock market quote in Luxembourg and seek permission for its shares in he traded in Longon towards the end of May under Rule 163 (1). Tipperary Corporation, a Texas oil and gas production and exploration company, is forming Pearsall and under a partnership agreement with

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London & **Continental**

By Richard Allen London & Continental Advertising, the specialist adver-John Golfar, an Associated Biscuits director, lifted pretax profits by 21 per cent to £260,000 last year.

The group, which reversed into Associated Tea Estates of Ceylon in 1979, was one of the first companies to join the Stock Exchange's unlisted securties market, which opened last November, A final dividend of just 0.14p

gross represents the first pay-ment since the group achieved public status through the reverse takeover. Mr Golfar said yesterday that

each of the company's divisions progressed well in what was a difficult year for industry gen-

The group, which first spec-ialized in selling advertising for hotel display, has been expand-ing fast in the poster business recently. Last year it won exclusive advertising rights to the Central Milton Keynes Shopping Area, and the main ferry terminus for the port of

Forward sales contracts now top £1m and with around £750,000 of cash, the group has embarked upon a substantial site acquisition programme. Group turnover last year rose from £909,000 to £1.2m.

Metal Box buys 49pc of Irish group

Metal Box has agreed with per cent interest in Borden International Packaging, an Irish metal can maker. The agreement is subject to obtaining the necessary government consents.
The purchase price of IRE1m

is payable in cash by instal-ments over an 18-month period. The company operates a fac-tory at Athy in the Republic of Ireland manufacturing cans for dried food products. Can manufacture will continue after manufaction of the new arrange-ments, and Metal Box will be supplying to Borden techno-logical and general assistance. Plans are in band to develop further can production in the

Anglo-Indonesian offer

for Eva lapses The offer by Anglo-Indo-nesian Corporation for Eva Industries has now lapsed. Acceptances were received for Acceptances were received for 355,980 shares of Eva (3.80 per cent). Anglo and its subsidiaries owned 2.58m shares (27.57 per cent) before its offer, and have purchased a further 362,000 shares (3.87 per cent) during offer period. turther 302,000 shares (3.87 per cent) during offer period. The combined shareholding of Anglo and those acting in concert with it, exclusive of acceptances, now totals 40.31 per cent of Eva's share capital.

Martin Black holds

its market share Over the first quarter of the current year, the Martin-Black wire rope group has continued to experience the low levels of activity seen in the latter part of 1980. Mr Ian Morrow, chairman, says in his annual report that the group has, however, held its share of the market and is within its cash limits.

Moss Engineering

buys spares group Environmental engineer Moss
Engineering Group is strengthening its engineering goods
wholesale and retail activities
by paying £750,000 for a Welsh
auto factoring business, Mclohes which trades in moon Johns, which trades in motor parts, spares and accessories at Cardiff and Barry.

Moss sees the acquisition as a further step in their expansion into engineering goods

Benn Brothers sells four of its titles

Benn Brothers has sold four of its titles. These comprise the trade journals Shipping World and Shipbuilder and Drydock to the Banner Publishing Company for 5100 000 lishing Company for £100,000 lishing Company for 2100,000 cash and the directories Ports of the World and International Shipping and Shipbuilding Directory Volumes I and II to Lloyd's of London Press for £203,400 in cash.

In the last financial year the net profits attributable to these publications represented 4 per cent of the group's net profit before tax.

Crown House puts its case

By Michael Clark
Crown House, in its revised
offer document, lays the
blame for Denbyware's profits
decline on its board's failure
to adopt new marketing techniques.

Mr Patrick Edge-Partington.

Chairman of Crown House, urges Denbyware shareholders to accept the latest offer of 124p and valuing the group at 5.3m, which would give them Lacey's NCC Energy, which is taking a 15.4 per cent stake in the US group Simplicity an increase in income of some 160 per cent. However, shares of Denbyware remained un-changed vesterday at 125p. According to Mr Edge-Patterns, has sold its strategic According to Mr Edge-Partington, the new offer takes was at 32p. Last July, NCC topped up its holding in Petrocon by buying 20 per cent of the shares in a dawn raid at 36p. NCC will receive 1564,985

into account that negotiations are in hand for the sale of Denbyware's 50 per cent stake in International Ceramics for a consideration thought to be around £2m. Since International Ceramics last year made a contribution of some £750,000 any benefit from the sale would be materially out-

Business appointments

The energy group has sold 19.9 per cent of the shares to the Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation (ICFC), 5.5 per cent to an ICFC subsidiary London Atlantic Investment Trust, and 265.580 to Mr Peter Hodgson, chairman and managing director of Petrocon. tor of Petrocon. As a result, Mr Hodgson will own 8 per cent of the company.

Madgel Ltd, a private investment company in which Mr
Hodgson owns a third of the

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The sale of 1.765.580 shares

By Philip Robinson

from the deal.

Mr

Mr Ben Martin has been made an exclusive director of Barclays Merchant Bank. Mr Charles Morland, formerly a local director of Barclays Bank and for the past three years seconded to the Department of Industry, becomes an executive director of Barclays Merchant Bank.

Mr Ealph Cowon is the new chairman of Wimpey Laboratories.

Mr Lestie Sallabank joins the board of Wimpey Laboratories.

Mr W. A. Simpson is now chairman of George Wimpey ME & C.

Limited. Mr I. L. Connell has been made managing director of George shares, controls 12.7 per cent of Petrocon, a stake it bought from John Swire & Sons last reported a pretax loss of £17,997 for the year to December 1980 against a profit of £152,588. After below-the-line

extraordinary items of £392,302, the retained loss was £517,913 against a profit last time of The group, which has not pald a dividend since the first half of 1979, announced it had passed the final dividend. Contained in the final figures was an item of £80,415 relating to redundancies and severance

In mid-January, Mr James Pound, co-lounder of the group, resigned. In a board reshuffle, Mr Ralph Messent left the main board but remained managing director of the group's Offshore Drilling Supplies operation.

payments.



contribution, he added.

Mr Patrick Edge-Partington,

The offer document also underlines what it believes is Denbyware's weakness in mar- and inappropris keting. In contrast, the ment concluded.

marketing abilities of its competitors had achieved much more favourable results. Since 1976 Denbyware's pre-Since 1976 Denbyware's pre-tax profits have declined from a record 21.5m to a little over 5600.000 last year, Indeed, until Denbyware can develop a proper marketing strategy its profits will continue to decline in relation to those of its com-

peritors. Moves aimed at stopping Crown House's advances have included the revaluation of its factory at Denby. But Crown House says that this is only appropriate if Denby's tableware interests are producing a satisfactory return from the use of this factory. But so far, Mr George Robinson, chairman of Denbyware, has failed to forecast adequate profits from its tableware interests, making the basis of valuation hypothetical and inappropriate, the docu-

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Merchant bank names director

surves an a non-executive director, Mr. D., J., Kelly, and Mr. K., E. Wallace have foined the board of Rosser and Russell, the holding company of the Rosser and Russell. Group.

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Mr Aleck Craddock is now chairman of Harrods. He remain: managing director. Dr Peter Caudle is now deputy

director and general secretary of Chemical industries Association. Air Michael Fisher has replaced Mr Hugh Van Cutsem as chairman of Van Cutsem and Associates.
Mr Hugh Van Cutsem has resigned
to concentrate on other business
interests. Mr Brian Bailey has
become a director.
Mr lan C. Harris has been made
adviser to the Cho-Heung Bank in

London.

Mr John Munson, regional vicepresident of Syntex Pharmaceuricals Group. has become a vicepresident of the parent company,
Syntex Corporation.

Mr James Johnstone, chief executive of the Scottish Council
(Development and Industry) is to
resign at the end of May to
resume his business career in the
private sector. His successor is
Mr Hamish Morrison, the council's

managing directors of Talking Pic-

Burnett & Hallamshire lifts stake in Brint

By Michael Clark Burnett & Hallamshire, the mining equipment group, re-sumed its recent spending spree yesterday when it in-creased its stake in Brint Investments, the energy related investment group.

Burnett increased its stake from 4 per cent to 232 per cent by purchasing 900,000 shares for cash from Temple Investment & Finance.

Mr George Helsby, chairman of Burnett, who is joining the board of Brint, said that the purchase was a natural exten-sion of the group's business. Brint is heavily involved in oil. coal and gas exploration, How-ever, he declined to mention the size of the cash considera-

Mr Helsby said that the deal was regarded by Burnett as a long-term investment although he did not rule out the possi-bility of a full-scale bid later. But he emphasized that a full review and further consultation by the board would be required

membership services director. Who
is on attachment to the EEC in
Brussels.

Mr Antony Plummer has joined
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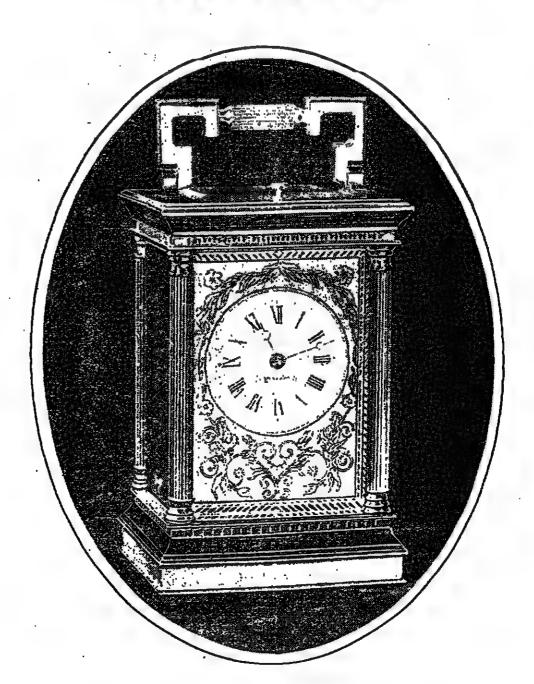
Mr F. Mobbis is now managing
director of Control Data. He succeeds Mr J. Word who is taking
up another appointment to behalf
of the corporation.

Dr A. A. Denton is the new
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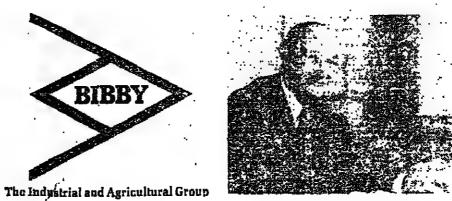
Mr Richard Stephenson chairman of Stephenson Shuttering, has
been elected president of the
National Association of Formwork
Contractors for 1981-82. The new
vice-president is Mr C. J. O'Shea
chairman of C. J. O'Shea and Company, and the honorary treasurer
is Mr M. E. Napier, director of
G. & S. Formwork Company.

Mr Talbot Halnault has been
made chairman and Mr Alec HallShaw and Mr Tom Hodson joint
managing directors of Talking Picturts. field and two weeks later it added a californian property deal valued at £530,000.

man or George Witneys Mr. & C. Limited. Mr I. L. Connell has been made managing director of George Wimpey ME & C. Medsrs Geoffrey C. Bodker, David K. Doran, Donald M. Fidler and Neville H. Searle have been made directors of Wimpey Group Services. Mr D. M. Penton has been appointed director Administration Services, but continues as company secretary to the holding company George Wimpey. Mr Frank Pollitt becomes managing director of Unger Meats. Mr Andrew Lee takes over as financial director. Mr Mike Egerton is made marketing director. Mr Lee Unger becomes purchasing director. Mr Barry Unger and Mr Carl Unger, founders of the business, become chairman and Reward foreffort



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CHAIRMAN, LESLIE YOUNG REPORTS ONTHEYEARENDED27 DECEMBER 1980. Profit before tax for the year rose by 11.5 per cent to a record £10.822,000 compared with £9,705,000 in 1979. Profit for shareholders after tax and extraordinary items was £8,369,000. Earnings per Ordinary share rose from 18.61 p to 19.98p fully taxed. It is proposed to pay shareholders a final dividend of 4.925p per 50p share which together with the interim dividend of 2.20p makes a total of 7.125p (1979 6.25p) for the year, an increase of 14 per cent. I am confident of a further overall increase in profit before tax for the current year.

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